



SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of January 22, 2023

Sermon Text *Luke 13:10-17*

10 Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. 11 And behold, there was a woman who had had a disabling spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. 12 When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your disability." 13 And he laid his hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and she glorified God. 14 But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days in which work ought to be done. Come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day." 15 Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it away to water it? 16 And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" 17 As he said these things, all his adversaries were put to shame, and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

If you were not able to listen to this week's sermon, then please refer to this link to listen prior to answering these questions, <http://hawaiiikaichurch.org/sermons/page/1>.

Discussion Questions

1. If you suffered with a debilitating ailment that caused you to be bent over so that you could not fully straighten yourself, would you be in church every Sunday? Why or why not? What does your answer reveal about the true state of your soul?
2. While everyone else may have seen a hunchbacked crippled woman, Jesus sees "a daughter of Abraham". What do you think Jesus sees when He looks at you?
3. When Jesus healed the woman, her immediate response was to glorify God. How has Jesus healed you and what was your response to this healing? What does your response say about your understanding of what Jesus has done for you?
4. Why was the synagogue leader resentful and upset when he saw Jesus heal the crippled woman? What does this say about what was most important to him? Why does Jesus call him a hypocrite and how do you think Jesus wanted him to respond to such an accusation?

5. How do you think the synagogue leader became so calloused, not only to the needs of hurting people, but also such that he could not recognize his own Messiah? How can we keep ourselves from becoming the same way?