

# HEALING THE BENT-OVER WOMAN

**Bible Text:** Luke 13:10-17

**Lesson Focus:** Laws are for the good of the people.

**Big Question:** Can I break the rules when I think I'm right?

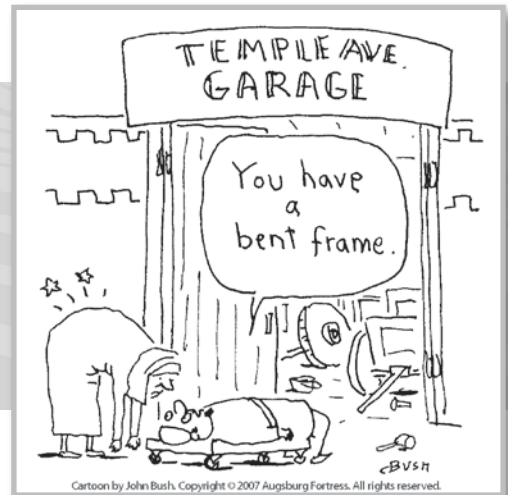
**Key Words:** SABBATH, LAW, FREEDOM, MERCY

## BIBLE CONNECTION

- ] Jesus never hesitated to heal on the Sabbath, even though it was against the religious law (Luke 13:10-17).
- ] The woman in the story had been crippled for 18 years because of an evil spirit.
- ] Jesus had compassion on this woman when he saw her.
- ] When Jesus put his hands on her, she was immediately healed.
- ] The synagogue ruler and others were angry because Jesus healed on the Sabbath.
- ] Jesus called the synagogue ruler a hypocrite.
- ] Jesus showed the hypocrites that this woman was far more important than their donkeys.
- ] Jesus humiliated those who were opposing the healing.

## CARTOON CONNECTION

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>] What is the difference between the mechanic in this cartoon and Jesus in the story of the bent-over woman?</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>] Jesus healed the woman because that was more important than the Sabbath rule. How can human rules get in the way of helping each other in God's name? How do rules help?</li> </ul> |
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## STUDENT BOOK CONNECTION

Here We Stand Student Book page 54: The Five Weirdest Laws in the Old Testament

- ] What was the main purpose behind these laws?
- ] Would any of these laws work in today's society?
- ] What are some laws today you think are weird?
- ] What do you think is their purpose?

Here We Stand Student Book page 200: Three Essential Personal Spiritual Rituals

- ] What are your devotional and prayer habits? Does your family observe these?
- ] How might you incorporate rituals into your daily tasks?
- ] What might you find easy or difficult about doing this?

## LIFE CONNECTION

Contact 10 different stores (either convenience or department stores) and ask whether they are open seven days a week. If they are, ask them why that is important. If you find a store that is closed on Sundays, inquire as to why that is. Think of something you can do today that will help you to honor the Sabbath and keep it holy.

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## Word Search

Answer the clues below, then find and circle the words in the word search.

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L C A S I N A I H R V I J Q B J W R

1. You are not to work on the \_\_\_\_\_ (Leviticus 23:3).
2. We are to keep the Sabbath \_\_\_\_\_ (Exodus 20:8).
3. Jesus came not to abolish, but to \_\_\_\_\_ the law (Matthew 5:17).
4. God gave the 10 Commandments to Moses while he was on Mount \_\_\_\_\_ (Exodus 19:2-3).
5. There are \_\_\_\_\_ commandments (Exodus 20).
6. Jesus was teaching in the \_\_\_\_\_ when he healed a crippled woman (Luke 13:10).
7. Jesus called the synagogue ruler a \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 13:15).
8. Moses told the Israelites that the land was to have a Sabbath rest in the \_\_\_\_\_ year (Leviticus 25:4).
9. When Jesus healed the woman on the Sabbath, she had been crippled for \_\_\_\_\_ years (Luke 13:11).
10. God's laws express his mercy and enable our \_\_\_\_\_.

Answers: 1. Sabbath 2. holy 3. fulfill 4. Sinai 5. ten 6. synagogue 7. hypocrite 8. seventh 9. eighteen 10. freedom