



# Lesson Eight

## Jesus Sets a Woman Free

### Heart Preparation

Satan had kept the woman bound and bent over for eighteen long years, and she suffered terribly in the grip of her disease. But Jesus saw her condition and set her free.

He called the woman to him and declared victory even before healing her. When Jesus put his hands on her, she straightened up right away and set about praising God.

Satan had crippled the woman, but Jesus is victorious over Satan, and delivered the woman from his evil grip. Through God's grace, Jesus redeemed her life from the enemy, and gave her a reason to glorify God.

How do you respond to the kindnesses of God in your life? Are you grateful that you have been set free from your sins to praise him? Instead of enjoying his benefits without reflecting on them or on him—thank him continually with your love, prayers and songs. And pray that your students will respond with glad hearts as they learn more about Jesus and what he has done for them.

### Bible Background

The ruler of the synagogue was the one who orchestrated services, selecting those who would read God's Word and lead the prayers. It was this man who censured Jesus for healing on the Sabbath. But Jesus saw what was in the man's heart—legalism, self-righteousness and hypocrisy, and he exposed it, thus putting his enemies to shame. (Luke 13:15–17a)

Straight and free, the healed woman stood in beautiful contrast to the critics of Jesus, who were bound and contorted by their indignation and blindness to sin. She, along with those whose hearts were receptive to Jesus, delighted in praising the One who had power over sin and Satan.



#### Bible Truth

*Jesus showed God's power over Satan, and the evil he caused, by healing the crippled woman.*

#### Scripture

*Luke 13:10–17*



#### Lesson Focus

*Praise God for the wonderful things he does, and that God is more powerful than Satan.*

#### Goals for the Children

- State that Jesus healed the crippled woman to show people he is God.
- State that Jesus did miracles so that people would trust him as God, their Savior.
- Sing songs and say prayers of praise to God.



#### Memory Minute

*I will praise you, O LORD . . .  
I will tell of all your wonders. Psalm 9:1*



# Jesus healed a disabled woman on the Sabbath.

Luke 13:10–17



## ☆Let's Talk

**SAY** One Sabbath day, Jesus was teaching in the synagogue. He saw a woman there who was bent over. She had been bent over for many years. Jesus healed her and the woman was able to stand up straight!

**ASK** *What do you see in the picture?*

**SAY** The woman praised God for being so wonderful! Many people were glad when they saw what Jesus did and they, too, could not stop praising him.

**ASK** *What do we learn about Jesus from this miracle he did?*

**SAY** When Jesus healed the woman, he showed that he is much more powerful than Satan, the enemy of God. The miracle Jesus did shows that Jesus is God and that he has power over everything.

## ☆Let's Build and Imagine

Set out **blocks** and **toy people**. Let the children build a synagogue (a Jewish worship center), adding people in the synagogue on the Sabbath. They may show the woman Jesus healed. They may show her and the other people praising God.

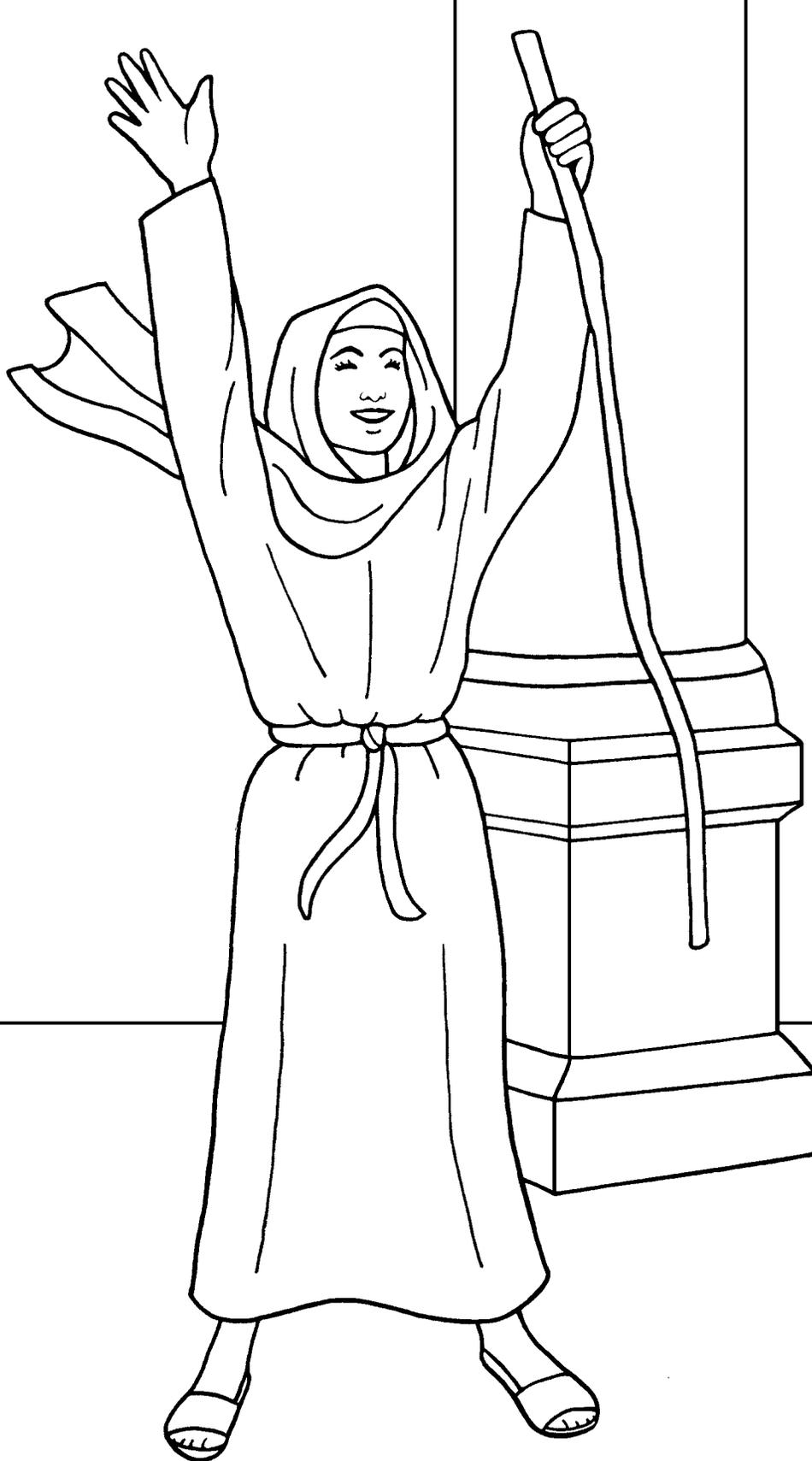
## ☆Let's Listen, Make, and Sing

- 1 Listen to "Jesus, I Love You." Give the children **paper** and **crayons** to draw pictures to illustrate the song. For example, they can draw a heart to represent "love," hands to show "serve," and pictures of themselves singing to illustrate "praise."
- 2 Then sing the song together. As you sing, the children may hold up the matching picture they made.

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## ☆Let's Move and Say

- 1 Let children move their bodies in different ways. Have them crouch, do jumping jacks, touch toes, lift arms high, walk around, bend, and so on.
- 2 Then have them name ways they use their bodies to do different things. Conclude this activity by thanking God for the bodies he has given us to love, serve, and praise him!



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Luke 13:10–17