

Dig-a-bit Month 6 Episode 3

Conversations: If you can do this on the Sabbath...

[00:00:00] Hi there. We are in month six of our study of conversations and we are studying this dig a bit from Luke chapter 13 when we're reading about this woman who had an 18 year I'm gonna call this an infirmity where she was bowed over and she couldn't straighten up in front of people. She couldn't look people in the eyes.

She couldn't Hug her children as you and I can. She had something very debilitating for 18 years. Let's read about her from verse 11 in Luke chapter 13. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity 18 years, and she was bowed together and could not in any wise lift up herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him and said to her, Woman, You were loosed from your [00:01:00] infirmity, and he laid his hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and she glorified God.

And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the Sabbath day, and said to the people, There are six days in which men ought to work. In them, therefore, come and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day. The Lord then answered him and said, You hypocrite. Do not each one of you on the Sabbath day loose his ox or his donkey from the stall and lead him away to watering?

And ought not this woman then, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day? And when he had said these things, all of his enemies or adversaries were ashamed, and all the people rejoiced. For all the glorious things that were done by him.

I just want us to [00:02:00] notice the amazing logic that Jesus used here. When he said, Doesn't each one of you, on the Sabbath, loose your ox or your donkey, from where? From the stall, and lead him away to watering. Wow. Jesus said, My case is much more important, much greater in every sense than your case of an ox or a donkey.

He said, first of all, don't you loose your ox or your donkey. He said, I'm talking then about a woman. Who is a daughter of Abraham. Now a daughter of

Abraham meant a lot to these people who were accusing Jesus because they thought of course that Jews were the chosen people of God and Gentiles were [00:03:00] Well Not even worthy to be recognized in any sort of religious Right much less a healing and so here we have These Jews being told by Jesus.

It was a daughter of Abraham. It wasn't an animal. It was a daughter of the revered patriarch of the religious system of Judaism. It's his daughter we're talking about, not a donkey. And then he says, Whom Satan has bound. You are talking about a little chain, a little physical chain in a stall. I'm talking about a chain forged by Satan himself.

And then he says, Whom Satan has bound for eighteen years. You're talking about a donkey who has been chained overnight. I'm [00:04:00] talking about a woman, a daughter of Abraham, who has been chained by the devil, not by some human chain in a stall, but by The bonds of the devil, and not overnight, but for eighteen years, should she not be loose from this bond on the Sabbath day, just like you would loose an animal.

So I'm going to say it one more time. An animal bound by a rope of man overnight. A daughter of Abraham being bound by a chain of Satan for 18 years. Jesus was saying, I'm telling you what, this kind of captivity is much more worthy of a Sabbath day loosing than the one that is legal. And if yours is legal, then certainly [00:05:00] this is not the breaking of any law.

I just think his logic is so very, very well, it's divine. I hope you have a good day.