THE WOMAN WITH INFIRMITY


1. (vs. #10) Jesus was teaching the word. What helps create an atmosphere for the Holy Spirit to move? The teaching & preaching of the Word. (Mark 16:20) This verse shows the importance of church attendance on the Lord's day. (Also: Hebrews 10:25; Psalms 92:13; Psalms 84:4; Nehemiah 10:39; Psalms 26:8; Psalms 122:1; Psalms 69:9 - "My love for your house, burns in me like fire!"

NOTE: "Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God."
Romans 10:17.

2. (vs. #11) There was a woman with a spirit of infirmity... (feeble/weakness) This particular woman was tormented (John 10:10a) with a demonic spirit. (See: Luke 13:16 - "Whom satan hath bound...")

NOTE: Sickness & disease are from the enemy, satan. Jesus has come to give you life & that MORE abundantly. (John 10:10b) (Isaiah 53:5) (I Peter 2:24) Matthew 8:17 - "...Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknessess..."

NOTE: This woman was at church, but suffered with a spirit. How many people in church are doing the same?

3. (vs. #11) TIME. For 18 yrs. It doesn't matter how long it was to God. He can break through time! (Jeremiah 32:27; Revelation 22:13 - "I am Alpha & Omega, the beginning & the end, the first & the last.

4. (vs. #11) HELPLESS TO FIX IT.
"She was bowed together, & could in no wise lift up herself."

NOTE: She couldn't help herself in the natural. She needed a miracle! Matthew 15:30 & 31 - "...lame, blind, dumb, maimed..."

5. (vs. #12) HE SEES US. HE CALLS US. HE SPEAKS TO US. He (Jesus) "saw her". "He called her to Him" "and said"

NOTE: Jesus sees us! He wants us to draw closer to Him. (James 4:8) (II Chronicles 16:9a) He speaks ("and said") Psalms 119:105; Psalms 119:133. God speaks today through His Word, the Bible, as we daily read it & meditate upon it.

6. (vs. #12) HE WANTS TO LOOSE US. Pay attention when He speaks. "Woman thou art loosed from thine infirmity." (Ex. Lazarus - John 4:44 - "...Loose him, and LET HIM GO!")
NOTE: Jesus wants to "loose" us from our infirmities, bondages, sicknesses, curses and sins. (See: Psalms 116:16-loosed; Psalms 146:7-looseth) Luke 13:16b-"be loosed".

7. (vs. #13) HE LAID HIS HANDS ON HER. Here are some verses about the laying on of hands: Mk.6:5; Mk.7:32; Mk.16:18; Lu.4:40; Acts 28:8.

NOTE: There is POWER from God to heal & deliver, when hands are laid on people. A transfer of the anointing (from God) can occur to do the supernatural.

8. (vs. #13) IMMEDIATELY SHE WAS HEALED. Expect results! Whether you see it immediately or not, the healing HAS happened in the Spirit. JUST KEEP YOUR FAITH. Guard it. The results will manifest, cause the Word is true. (See: Mk.11:24; Matt.21:22)

9. (vs. #14 & #15) BE PREPARED FOR PERSECUTION! Not everyone will accept your 'walk by faith' (II Cor. 5:7) message. II Tim. 3:12.

NOTE: Often those who judge & criticise, are filled with weaknesses, judgmental spirits & bondages. These type of people sometimes cannot "see" with their spiritual eyes their own faults & hypocrisies.

10. (vs. #17) THERE WILL BE SKEPTICS. THERE WILL BE BELIEVERS. "All His adversaries were ashamed and all the people rejoiced for the glorious things that were done by Him."

NOTE: Some will be mad. :( Some will be glad! :)

DON'T LET THE SKEPTICS & NEGATIVE PEOPLE IN YOUR LIFE SIDE TRACK YOU FROM THE GREAT COMMISSION. Just keep your eyes on the "goal", the Word of God, and the destiny He has placed upon your life. (See: Hebrews 12:1 & 2)

YOU CAN'T LOOK TO YOUR FUTURE BY DWELLING ON THE NEGATIVE CIRCUMSTANCES NOW OR FROM YOUR PAST.

Remember: Philippians 4:4-8. The Word will set you free. (See: John 8:32-"ye shall know the truth and the truth will make you free." John 17:17-"thy Word IS truth."