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Trends deceive. Traditions enslave. God's Truth transforms.

“When Policy Undercuts Purpose”

From the Series,
“Love, Tell, Help People”

Luke 13:10-17

Preached Sunday AM 6/01/14

Meadow Baptist Church

1. The Savior Frees a Slave (10-13)

- a. Note the setting (10) - “Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath.”
- b. See the sufferer (11) - “And there was a woman who had had a disabling spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not fully straighten herself.”
- c. Hear the summons (12) - “When Jesus saw her, He called her over and said to her, “Woman, you are freed from your disability.”
- d. Feel the surprise (13) - “And He laid his hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and she glorified God.”

2. The Savior Causes a Scene (14-15)

- a. The leaders without vision (14a) - “But the ruler of the synagogue, **indignant** because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath...”
- b. The legalists without love (14b) - “There are six days in which work ought to be done. Come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day.” **Did he really just say that?**
- c. The Lord without restraint (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?”

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3. The Savior Makes a Stand

- a. Priority of Jesus (16a) - "And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond..."
- b. Precepts of religion (16b) - "...on the Sabbath day?"

Jesus elevated the pain of people far above the preservation of policy

- c. Protests are silenced (17a) - "As He said these things, all his adversaries were put to shame..."
- d. Prisoners are freed (17b) - "...and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him."

Fewer things bring greater joy to our souls than to be loosed from empty religion and welcomed into healing relationship.