

## St. John's EBCs, Everyday Bible Conversations!

*EBC 3, 2, 1! – On Location in 2025! Leading to Worship Sunday, August 24, 2025*

### Reading: Luke 13:10-17

EBC focuses on bringing the Bible into our Everyday Lives, emphasizing God's Everyday presence by finding connections in our physical world! EBC also has a video component on the St. John's website and St. John's YouTube channel. This week, Jesus leads us by example, seeking out those in need, and helping, even when others think he shouldn't. Click here: <https://youtu.be/CVjv9tBWVK8> Welcome to this week's EBC 3,2,1! Three points, two questions, and one action step!

### Three Points

- In these verses, Jesus is teaching on the Sabbath, when a hunched crippled woman appears. Jesus calls her to him, and heals her!
- The leader of the synagogue is indignant that Jesus had performed the miracle, but he does not confront Jesus. Instead, he complains to the crowd that they should come back on one of the six days when work was to be done if they want to be cured.
- Jesus rebukes them. "Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" (Luke 13:15-16)

### Two Questions

- Unlike a lot of Jesus' miracles, does the woman in this story seem to "ask" for help? Does she even belong in the synagogue? How many years do you think she suffered while being overlooked by others? What is Jesus' "first" miracle here? The healing? Or simply noticing her and reaching out to her?
- To whom do the leaders complain when they are unhappy with Jesus' healing? Why don't they confront Jesus? Do you find yourself sometimes blaming those you think do not deserve God's blessings when you are mad at God, or don't understand his plan, instead of seeking God's grace and understanding?

### Action Step

- Look for, and reach out to, those who need God's help! The first miracle is your love!

*Don't like these questions? Do these verses say something different to you? Great! What it is?*

And as always, you are encouraged to find a friend (or two or many) and take an EBC coffee break! Find 15-25 minutes somewhere in the week and share your faith. Have fun finding God this week in your Everyday Life!