**JESUS HEALS A CRIPPLED WOMAN**

Luke 13:1-17

Key Verse: 13:12,13 “When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, ‘Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.’ Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God.”

1. How did people interpret gruesome news that some people brought to Jesus? (Compare John 9:2) How do people misunderstand suffering, sin and God’s love? (cf. Ezekiel 18:23) How does Jesus’ answer teach us the right response to tragedy? (2-5)

2. How can the fruitless fig tree symbolize our lives? (6-9) In light of the caretaker’s response, what does it mean to repent? (cf. Luke 3:8)

3. What was the woman’s long-standing infirmity and how did Jesus heal her? (10-13; Isaiah 53:4-5)

4. How does the synagogue ruler’s rebuke show his misunderstanding of God? (14)

5. How does Jesus’ response in verse 16 give us the right perspective about suffering?