

The Miracles of Jesus
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Miracle: "A Happening with Which Human Reasoning Has Yet To Catch Up."

-Dr. William Augustus Jones

Miracle #31 – Jesus Heals a Man with Dropsy on the Sabbath

Luke 14:1-6

Luke 14:1-2

The Chief Pharisee – Chairman of the Board – President of the Jerusalem Ministry; invited Jesus to dinner to spy on Him. Since he was one of influence, the spokesman for the Pharisees, he had the authority to invite Jesus. He set a trap for Jesus to ensnare Him. He invited a man to dinner with them who had a serious abnormal accumulation of fluid in his body's tissues. Dropsy was a disease that caused swelling in a person's joints. The sick man was seated directly before Jesus. As a result, there would be no doubt about whether or not Jesus would see him. Jesus had already shown Himself to be a man of compassion whose life and ministry were dedicated to helping others and relieving suffering. In close quarters, the Chairman's house, they invited guests who would see what Jesus was going to do.

Luke 14:3-6

Jesus was eating at the home of the leading Pharisee where He was being watched closely. They wanted to see what Jesus would do. Much to their surprise, Jesus asked them, "Whether it was **"lawful"** to heal on the Sabbath?" When no one was willing to risk an answer, Jesus healed the man.

Jesus then asked, "Which one of them would not **"immediately"** help one of their farm animals which had fallen into a pit or a ditch on the Sabbath?" If the ox is in the ditch and life is threatened, Jesus knew that they not only would lift the ox out of the ditch, but they had already done so on a number of occasions. Jesus is omniscient. He knows all things. The reason they would not answer Jesus is because they knew they had already lifted their farm animals out of ditches and were all guilty and condemned. Rather than judgment being served on them, they remained silent.

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