

LUKE 2-6-12

6 On another Sabbath he went into the synagogue and was teaching, and a man was there whose right hand was shriveled. 7 The Pharisees and the teachers of the law were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal on the Sabbath 8 But Jesus knew what they were thinking and said to the man with the shriveled hand, "Get up and stand in front

- of everyone." So he got up and stood there.
- 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.
- 10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.
- 11 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.

1 Kings 13-4

4 When King Jeroboam heard what the man of God cried out against the altar at Bethel, he stretched out his hand from the altar and said, "Seize him!" But the hand he stretched out toward the man shriveled up, so that he could not pull it back.

DEFINITION: DRIED UP.

A DEAD PLANT. (NATURAL)

IN THE SPIRITUAL IT MEANS: LEANNESS OF SOUL

LACK OF MORAL

NOURISHMENT

SPIRITUAL IMPOTENCE

LOW CONDITION OF SPIRITUAL LIFE

NATURAL CAUSES OF A WITHERED HAND THE SPIRITUAL IT MEANS:

BIRTH TRAUMA

PINCHED NERVE IN NECK

REPETITIVE TRAUMA

SPIRITUAL CAUSES

OVERVALUING AND OVERESTIMATING OUR SPIRITUAL CONDITION

FEELING YOU HAVE EVERYTHING IN LIFE

LOSING SIGHT OF YOUR PURPOSE IN LIFE

SEXUAL SIN

PRIDE

HOW DID JESUS DEAL WITH THE WITHERED HANDS?

DEALT WITH HIS POSTURE

DEALT WITH THE CONGREGATION

2A.

CONGREGATING HAD WRONG FOCUS

2B.

CONGREGATING WAS DISTRACTED

2C.

THEY HAD BECOME SEPARATED FROM THEIR LIFE SOURCE