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Man with Withered Hand

(Based on Mark 3:1-6, Matthew 12:9-14, Luke 6:6-11)

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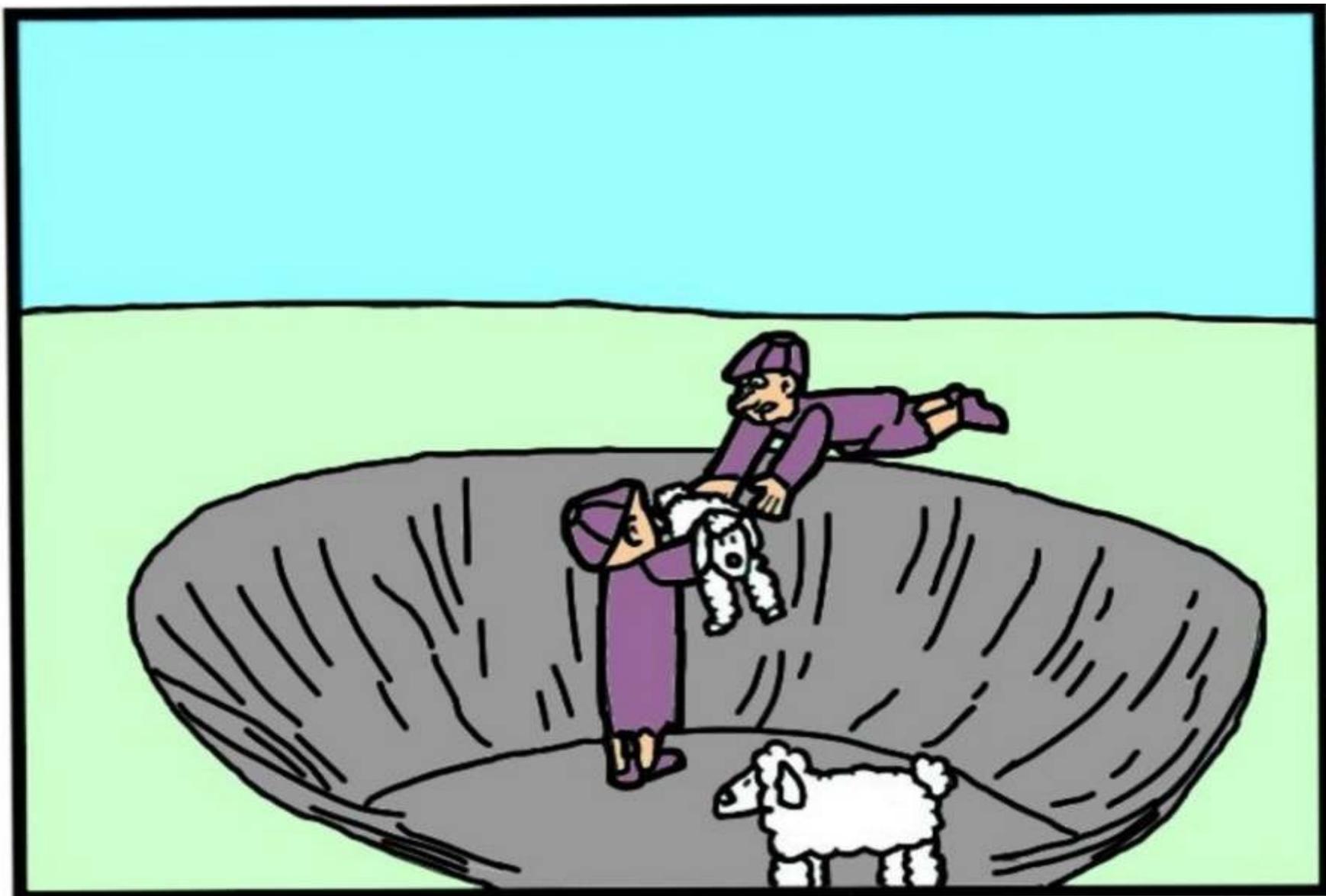
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One day in the synagogue, there was a man who had a withered hand. The phony Pharisees watched Jesus to see if he would heal him on the Sabbath day. They wanted to accuse Jesus of breaking the 10 commandments.



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"Man with the withered hand," said Jesus. "Come here. On the Sabbath day is it okay to do good or to do hurt, to save a life or to kill?" Jesus was angry with the Pharisees because they were so hard-hearted.



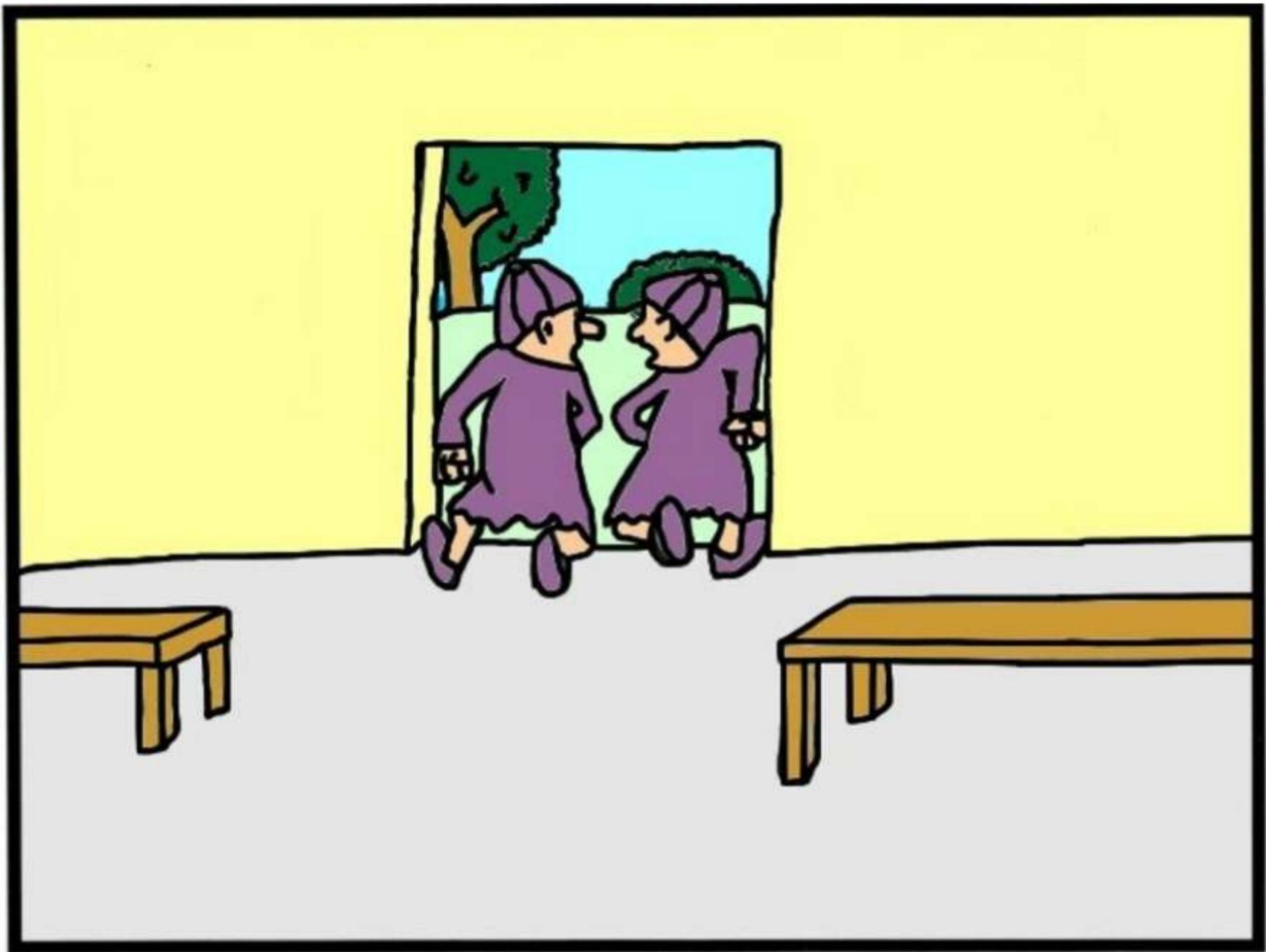
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"If your sheep falls into a pit on the Sabbath day, don't you lift it out? How much more valuable is a man than a sheep? I say, it is okay to do good on the Sabbath day."
The Pharisees were silent.



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"Stretch out your hand," said Jesus to the man.
The man obeyed, stretched out his hand and it was healthy.



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The Pharisees were angry with Jesus. "Let's kill him!" they plotted as they left the synagogue that day.



19-07

Lord, help me to always care more about people than rules. I never want to have a hard heart.