

LIFEGROUP RESOURCES: Pulpit Curriculum (05.11.2025)

Living Lives of Worship Fueled by Thankfulness

Main passage: Luke 17:11-19

- 1) Their Pitiful Condition (v 12, 13)
 - Jesus Christ did not take the cultural route, but the faithful route of fruitfulness by going through Samaria. These 10 men were covered in their leprosy, representing how we are covered in our sin apart from Christ. When one had leprosy, it changed their life. It started in the skin, then spread throughout the body, causing disfigurement and tumor-like growths with the dulling of nervous system and total loss of feeling with total lack of pain – a slow death sentence. As a result of leprosy, people were cast out of normal life in Israel (Num 5:2; Lev 13:45-46). The lepers knew who Jesus was - that He could heal, and they begged Him for mercy (James 2:19)
 - Eleeo: to have mercy on (Mt 9:27; 15:22; 17:15)
 - A. List some descriptions of how leprosy represents sinners apart from the mercy of God?
 - B. How does sin dull our senses and harden our hearts to the deceitfulness of sin?
- 2) Christ's Response (v 14)
 - God has spoken to all humanity through His word and His Son, and all are without excuse (Rom 1:20; Heb 1:3). Christ saw the lepers and sent them to the priests ("health department" of the day), knowing they would be healed as they went, restored to a normal life, and that only one would return to thank Him.
 - C. How have you responded to Christ's mercy in your own life? Consider the weight of that mercy and take time to prayerfully thank Jesus.
 - D. What attributes does Jesus Christ put on display in this engagement with the lepers?
- 3) Lepers' Response



- As the lepers went, they were healed and cleansed of their leprosy; but nine of them went on afterward and missed the High Priest Jesus (Heb 7:23-26). They were going through the motions of ritual. Only one returned to praise the great
- Physician. The Lord desires our worship, not our empty, ritualistic sacrifices.
- Katharizo to make clean, cleanse
- E. Describe what it would look like today for someone just going through the motions of being around the church and not in/of the church?
- F. If you are born again, how would you describe your heart toward Christ? Do you find yourself going through the motions of worship?

4) The One (v 15, 16)

- Only one of nine returned, praising the Lord a leprous Samaritan. He fell on his face, praised, magnified, and extoled Christ the King. Oh, how much more the Lord gives us in our salvation, to return to Him in worship!
- G. Describe the heart of the one leper who returned to praise Jesus Christ. Why does God look at the heart of man? _____

5) The Ultimate Healing

- Not only did Jesus cleanse him from his leprosy, but Jesus then declared that the man's faith in Jesus Christ saved him. When we are born again, we receive the imputed righteousness of Christ. This should stir us to living lives of abundant worship. Not only has He cleansed us of our afflictions, but He has brought us into the body of Christ – The Church.
- Sozo to save, keep safe and sound
- H. What does it mean that we receive the imputed righteousness of Christ when we are saved? ______
- I. Knowing that our righteousness is in Christ alone, what comfort or uneasiness do you have in your relationship with Jesus Christ?