

November 22, 2015  
Luke 17:11-19

## FOR GRANTED OR GRATITUDE

### I. Introduction: Taking Our Blessings For Granted

"For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, **ungrateful**, unholy, unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good, treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God." 2 Timothy 3:2-4

### II. The Attitude of Ingratitude By the Nine Lepers

[13] and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!" [14] When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. [15] **One of them**, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. [16] He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him--and he was a Samaritan.

Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed?" "Where are the other nine? Luke 17:17

### III. The Attitude of Gratitude By the One Leper

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#### **IV. The Believers Attitude of Gratitude**

Be joyful always; [17] pray continually; [18] **give thanks** in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians. 5:16-18

**"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!**  
2 Corinthians 9:15

#### **V. COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS!**

**Be The One Who Expresses Thanks!**

**POINTS TO PONDER**  
**For Granted or Gratitude**  
**Week of November 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Open It:**

1. For what are you most thankful?
2. \*How would you react if you were suddenly healed of a disease or sickness?

**Explore It:**

3. Where did the events of this story take place? ([17:11](#))
4. Who met Jesus as He entered the village? ([17:12](#))
5. \*What did the ten men want from Jesus? ([17:13](#))
6. How did the men refer to Jesus? ([17:13](#))
7. How did Jesus respond to the ten men? ([17:14](#))
8. \*What happened to the men as they went to show themselves to the priest? ([17:14](#))
9. What did one of the ten do that the others did not? ([17:15](#))
10. \*How did one man express his thankfulness to Jesus? ([17:15-16](#))
11. What difference did it make that the man who thanked Jesus was a Samaritan? ([17:16,18](#))
12. How did Jesus respond to the one man who returned? ([17:17-19](#))

13. What did Jesus tell the man about his faith? ([17:19](#))

**Get It:**

14. What does this story say about the importance of thanking Jesus?

15. What difference does faith make in your life?

16. \*How does Jesus want you to respond to the work He performs in your life?

17. What prevents us from praising the Lord for His blessings?

18. When have you ever failed to thank the Lord for something He did for you?

19. When is it difficult to say thank you to God?

20. How can you remind yourself to thank God throughout each day?

21. Why does God desire our praise?

22. \*What should we do when we need physical or spiritual healing from the Lord?

23. Why is faith necessary for spiritual healing?

**Apply It:**

24. \*About what will you praise the Lord more faithfully this week that you have neglected to notice in the past?

25. Who is one person you could tell today about the great things God has done for you?