

## **A 10% THANKSGIVING**

### **Luke 17:11-19**

**We all need to give thanks for all that Christ has done for us**

#### **I. THE CLEANSED LEPERS** (11-14)

##### **A. Their DISEASE** (11-12)

1. Those infected were on the fringe of society (11)  
- See Lev.13:45-46
2. You will notice that these men “stood at a distance” (12)

##### **B. Their DETERMINATION** (13)

1. A Plan: Get Jesus’ attention
2. A Pronouncement: “Jesus Master”
3. A Plea: Have mercy on us
4. A Partnership: Have mercy on us

##### **C. Their DISINFECTION** (14)

1. The Command from Jesus  
- Go show yourself to the
2. The Compliance from the Lepers  
- They were obeying the Master
3. The Cleansing from Leprosy  
- Jesus rewarded their trust and obedience

#### **II. THE COMMENDABLE LEPER** (15-16)

##### **A. His PRIORITY** (15a)

1. Immediate response
2. Before anything else:

##### **B. His PROCLAMATION** (15b)

1. He glorified God with a loud voice
  - a. His praise was as loud as his plea (Is ours?)
  - b. He wasn’t embarrassed to make known God’s mighty works (Are we?)
2. He glorified God before glorying in the gift

##### **C. His POSTURE** (16a)

1. He fell on his face at Jesus’ feet
2. The closeness of communion could now be enjoyed and the first one he approaches is Christ!

## D. His PRAISE (16b)

1. Giving Jesus thanks > While at the same time giving God glory (15b)
2. Literally: He kept on thanking Jesus
3. A constant, consistent and continued habit of life

III. THE CONCERNED LORD (17-19)

## A. JESUS' QUESTIONS (17-18)

1. Where are the nine? (17)
  - a. Jesus is disturbed and appears to be disappointed
  - b. When they could see Him they sought Him but when they got away from Him they forgot Him!
  - c. They begged for mercy but neglected thanksgiving
  - d. Ingratitude is common: We will be in the majority if we fail to glorify God
2. Is this foreigner the only one glorifying God? (18)
  - a. A Samaritan leper was doubly repulsive to the Jews and yet he alone is responsive to Jesus!
  - b. A Samaritan thanking a Jew!

## B. JESUS' CONCLUSION (19)

1. You can quit (19a)
  - Jesus had to command the Samaritan to stop and go home
2. You are complete (19b)
  - a. Note the condition: He was made well > A physical and spiritual completeness
  - b. Note the contrast: Ten were cleansed (v.14, 17), but only one was complete

CONCLUSION:

**We were Gentiles far from God in a hopeless and cursed condition ...**

- *But Jesus showed an interest in us and cleansed our sinful souls.*
- *See Ephesians 2:11-13*

**By God's grace, we are forgiven foreigners!**

- Do we consistently, fervently return to praise God and thank Jesus?
- Might we be among those who are truly mindful about being thankful and not negligent like the 90%.
- *Might we be the 10% who are 100% thankful!*