

“DO YOU HAVE A GRATEFUL HEART?”

(Luke 17:11-19)

I. A PICTURE OF INDIFFERENCE AND THANKFULNESS

A. Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers (Luke 17:11-19)

1. Verse 11 is another geographical _____ report (cf. 9:51; 13:22) that reminds the reader that Jesus was on a predetermined journey to Jerusalem, and ultimately _____.
2. Lepers typically separated themselves because they were ceremonially _____, and their disease was _____ in some stages. (v. 12, cf. Lev. 13-14)
3. When the lepers' cried for mercy they addressed Jesus as “_____,” elsewhere in Luke's Gospel this title was used to indicate _____ consistent with miraculous power. (v. 13, cf. Luke 5:5-6; 8:24; 8:43-45; 9:33)
4. Before doing anything for them He gave them a _____ to go to the priest for examination; all of the Jewish lepers would have _____ that normally this followed a cure. (v. 14a, cf. Luke 5:12-16; Lev. 13:49; 14:2-3)
5. The lepers demonstrated _____ in journeying to the priest before they were healed; and consequently our Lord rewarded their faith by _____ them along the way. (v. 14b; Deut. 24:8)
6. The lepers' response would have taught the disciples and everyone else present the importance of _____ and _____ the word of Christ.

7. The nine lepers had just been healed, and they continued on their journey to the priest so they could be restored to society, but the _____ of the Samaritan were on his _____. (v. 15)

* Is it possible to receive God's great gifts with an ungrateful heart?

8. His praises and posture demonstrated his _____ and expressed his _____ towards Jesus. (v. 16, cf. Luke 5:12; 8:41).

9. Jesus' three questions highlighted the ingratitude of "the nine" other lepers who were Jews, but then their _____ of responsiveness was _____ of the Jews in Jesus' day. (vv. 17-18)

10. While the other nine men were free from leprosy they were _____ free from the _____ of sin; whereas this man was saved from his sins. Jesus said, (literal Greek trans.) "*Your faith has saved you.*" (v. 19)

* How often do you take your blessings for granted and fail to thank the Lord?

* What have you learned about Christian responsibility regarding "giving thanks"?