



LifeGroups Message Study Guide

Message: **"Overflowing Gratitude"**

Luke 17:11-19

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Helping more people, more often, say "Yes!" to God.

Introduction: Are you overflowing with gratitude for what God has done for you and for what He's given you? Sometimes we let the busyness of life and our own selfishness overshadow the fact that God has given us eternal life through Jesus' death and resurrection. This week we look into the story of Jesus healing 10 lepers and only one returning to thank Him.

Warm-Up: Write down the top 10 things that you are thankful for and share them with your LifeGroup.

Read Colossians 2:6-7, Ephesians 15-20, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, James 1:2-8.

1. Talk about what it means to give thanks always, even when we go through difficult circumstances.
2. How does it impact your thinking about being grateful when you know that it is "God's will" (1Th 5:18)?

Read Luke 17:11-19.

1. Where was Jesus going and why?
2. Why were the 10 men outside the village and segregated from other people? (Read Lv 13:46; Nu 5:2,3)
3. Who determined if a person was "unclean or clean" and how did they determine it? (Read Lv 13:1-6; 14:2-32)
4. Talk about how we were just like lepers before we submitted to Jesus as our Lord and Savior—both were dying and in need of a Savior!
5. Using the Concordance in your Bible, look up other examples of Jesus' compassion for people.
6. Did the lepers get blessed (healed) first or did they obey Jesus first? Talk about how today we often want to be blessed, but don't want to be obedient first.
7. How did the one healed leper praise God and thank Jesus? When is the last time you threw yourself at Jesus' feet in thanksgiving? Have you ever?
8. What is the significance of the healed leper being a Samaritan? (Read Lk 10:30-37, Jn 4:9)
9. Why do you think the other nine lepers didn't return to thank Jesus? Why don't we thank God more often?