KINDERGARTEN – 2ND GRADE · TEACHING PAGES · LUKE 17:11-19; LEVITICUS 13:45-46

# The Ten Lepers

**Jesus healed ten men with leprosy, but only one came back to thank Him. Jesus is good to us, so we come back and say thank You.**

**PRINCIPLE: THANKFULNESS** · Jesus is kind and generous to us before we ever say thank you. Because He is so good, we turn back to Him with thankful hearts.

| Creation<br>God made it | Fall<br>We broke it | **Redemption<br>Jesus fixes it** | Restoration<br>Jesus makes it new |
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MEMORY VERSE

**“Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His loving devotion endures forever.”**

Psalm 107:1 BSB

START HERE

Ask, "Have you ever given someone a present and they didn't say thank you? How did that feel?" Say, "Jesus once gave ten people the best gift ever. Let's see how many said thank You."

## Bible story 6 min

Jesus was walking to a little town. Ten men stood far away. They had leprosy, a bad skin sickness.

BIBLE TIMES

**Leprosy in Bible times**

In the Bible, "leprosy" was a name for several serious skin diseases. People who had it were called "unclean." They had to live outside the town, wear torn clothes and call out "Unclean!" so others would stay away (Leviticus 13:45-46). They couldn't hug their families or go to worship. Being sick also meant being very lonely.

They could not live with their families. They called out loudly, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

Jesus saw them. He said, "Go and show yourselves to the priests."

So they went. And while they were walking, their skin got clean! All ten were healed!



DASCH DIGS UP…

The men were healed **on the way** to the priests, after they obeyed Jesus but before they saw it happen. Luke 17:14

Nine men kept going. But one man stopped. He turned back. He praised God in a loud voice. He fell down at Jesus' feet and said thank You.

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That man was a Samaritan. Most people did not like Samaritans.

HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT
Look at **Luke 17:16**. "And he was a Samaritan." The man who came back was the one people didn't expect, an outsider! Jesus loves everyone, and the outsider was the one who came back to thank Him.

Jesus asked, "Weren't ten men made well? Where are the other nine?" Then Jesus said to the man, "Get up and go. Your faith has made you well."

 **SAY IT TOGETHER: Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good!**

## Talk about it

1. What did the ten men shout to Jesus?
   Answer help: Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!
2. When were they healed?
   Answer help: On the way to the priests.
3. Why was Jesus happy the one man came back?
   Answer help: He was thankful and came back to Jesus.
4. What is one thing you can thank Jesus for this week?

## Activities

### Act it out 10 min

**You'll need:** A blanket or sheet

1. Choose Jesus, the Samaritan and nine others. Act out the skit, with the ten standing far away on the blanket.
2. Switch so different kids get to be the one who comes back.

### Color the ten men 10 min

**You'll need:** Printed handouts, Crayons

1. Kids color the ten men, with one running back to Jesus.
2. Count the men together. Circle the one who came back.

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## Ellie's Lab Science experiment

### Clean hands 12 min

**You'll need:** Hand lotion, Fine glitter, A bowl of plain water, Liquid hand soap, A bowl of warm soapy water (or a sink), Paper towels, Hand wipes

1. Put a little lotion on one child's hands and sprinkle on glitter. These are pretend "germs."
2. That child shakes hands with two friends. Look how far the "germs" spread!
3. Try washing with plain water only. How much glitter is left?
4. Now wash with soap and warm water, rubbing for 20 seconds (sing "Happy Birthday" twice). How clean are they now?
5. Ask, "How long would it take to wash away a disease like leprosy?" (You can't wash it away.) Read Luke 17:14. Say, "Jesus made them clean in an instant."

**Why it works:** Germs and dirt stick to the oils on our skin, and water alone slides right off oil. Soap molecules have one end that grabs oil and another end that grabs water, so they pull the oil, dirt and germs off your skin and rinse them away. That's why soap and scrubbing work so much better than water. Some diseases spread by touch, which is why people with serious skin diseases in Bible times had to live apart. No amount of washing could cure them, but Jesus could.

**The point:** We can wash glitter off our hands, but only Jesus can make people truly clean. He healed ten men with a word. When we see what He's done for us, we come back and say thank You.

**Safety:** Check for skin allergies to lotion or soap. Keep glitter away from eyes and mouths, and wash hands well before snacks.



## Real life today with Theo

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| **At home** | Say thank you to your mom or dad for something they do every day, like making dinner. It's a way to thank God too. |
| **At school** | The thankful man was the one nobody expected. Be kind to kids others leave out. |
| **At church** | Going back to Jesus to thank Him is worship. We do that when we pray and sing. |

## Sing and move

♪ **Thank You, Lord (for Giving Us Food)** Traditional table song

♪ **Give Thanks** Worship chorus

**OUR CHANT: TURN AROUND**

Ten were healed, *(flash ten fingers)*
On the road, *(walk in place)*
One turned around, *(spin)*
"Thank You, Lord!" *(kneel)*

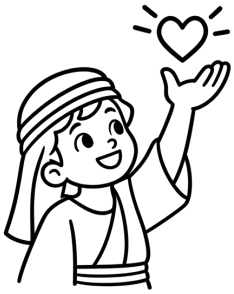
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**Live It**
Each night this week, tell Jesus three things you're thankful for from that day.

**Pray together**
Dear Jesus, You are good to us every day. Help us remember to come back and say thank You. Amen.

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# THE TEN LEPERS

**LUKE 17:11-19**

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**MEMORY VERSE**

**Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His loving devotion endures forever.**
Psalm 107:1

## 1 COLOR IT

Color the picture!



## 2 WORD SEARCH

Find and circle these words.

**CLEANSED LEPROSY MERCY THANKFUL UNCLEAN**

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## 3 FILL IN THE VERSE

Use the words in the box.

**devotion** | **endures** | **forever**

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His loving

_____ _____ _____. (Psalm 107:1)

**Challenge:** cover it up and say it from memory!

## 4 STORY ORDER

Number the boxes 1, 2, 3... in the order it happened.

- ☐ Ten men with leprosy called to Jesus.
- ☐ Jesus told them to go to the priests.
- ☐ They were healed on the way.
- ☐ Nine men kept going.
- ☐ Jesus said, "Your faith has made you well."
- ☐ One man came back to thank Jesus.

## 5 TRUE OR FALSE?

Circle T or F.

1. Jesus healed only one man. **T / F**
2. The man who came back was a Samaritan. **T / F**
3. Jesus noticed that nine did not come back. **T / F**



## 6 DASCH DIGS UP...

Did you know?

★ People with leprosy had to **stay away from everyone else**, so the ten men shouted to Jesus from a distance. Luke 17:12-13



**GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD!**

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TAKE-HOME PAGE · THE TEN LEPERS

# Keep the story going at home

**For grown-ups**

Today we learned about **the ten lepers**. Ten men with a terrible skin disease called out to Jesus, "Have mercy on us!" Jesus healed all ten, but only one came back to thank Him, and he was a Samaritan, an outsider. Jesus said, "Your faith has made you well."

Ask at dinner: *What are ten things Jesus has given our family? Let's say thank You for each one.* Count them on your fingers together.

Memory verse: "Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His loving devotion endures forever." (Psalm 107:1)

## Ask your child

1. Why was Jesus happy the one man came back?
2. What is one thing you can thank Jesus for this week?

### This week

Each night this week, tell Jesus three things you're thankful for from that day.

Read Luke 17:11-19 together. Make a family "thank-you jar" and add a note every day this week.

✂ Cut out the verse card and put it where you'll see it every day.

MEMORY VERSE

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**Name:** _____ Activity page

# Color the ten men

Color the ten men. Circle the one who came back to say thank You!



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