
October 12th 2025 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C - Luke 17:11-19

¹⁷⁻¹¹ And it came to pass, as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. ¹² And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: ¹³ And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. ¹⁴ And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. ¹⁵ And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, ¹⁶ And fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷ And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? ¹⁸ There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. ¹⁹ And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.

<p>➤ Read and re-read – out loud and slowly the Gospel.</p> <p>➤ Meditate - on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life.</p>	<p>➤ Pray - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition.</p> <p>➤ Action – Attitude (Call to change / to act /to do).</p>
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In this Sunday's gospel we read about the curing of the ten lepers and the one grateful Samaritan who earned the praise of Jesus because he was the only one who returned to give thanks. The fact that only one returned to give thanks reminds us what a rare and wonderful gift gratitude is. As the lepers were going their way they were cleansed. Jesus had worked a miraculous cure but it was their setting out with confidence to "show themselves to the priests" that had the healing and empowering effect.

Do we take time to thank God for the wonderful gifts He has given us? Do we share our healing stories with others and let them know that Jesus is there for them also, especially if they feel isolated and rejected like the lepers.

Prayer:

Lord thank you for the people who notice those in need as they travel along the borders of their societies and let them know that they are special and encourage them to walk with their head high in confidence.

Forgive us Lord for the times when we, by our actions have made people feel unclean because of their marriage break up, sexual orientation or members of their families being in prison or on drugs.

Help us Lord to come to those in need without condensation not as chosen people but as Samaritans who know what it is like to be in need.

