

# Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1412: What Does Leprosy Teach Us About Sin and Gratitude?

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1. Compare how the physical progression of leprosy (numbness, disfigurement and isolation), mirrors the spiritual effects of sin in our lives. (Luke 17:12, Leviticus 13:45-46, Isaiah 59:2, Romans 6:23, pages 1-3, 8, Bonus Material)
2. What does Jesus' choosing to heal the ten lepers by sending them to the priests *before* they were visibly cleansed possibly indicate about obedience, faith and the process of both physical and spiritual healing? (Luke 17:14, Leviticus 14:1-9)
3. How does the one leper returning to thank Jesus reflect the heart position we should have towards the spiritual and temporal gifts we have been given? How should gratitude and faith connect? (Luke 17:15-18, Psalm 50:23, 1 Thessalonians 5:18)
4. Do I obey God's scriptural instructions even when I don't see immediate results or when it is terribly inconvenient to do so? In what ways can I improve my faith-driven obedience?
5. What is the significance of the thankful leper being Samaritan at the time of Jesus' first advent? How might this be a reflection of ethnicities the Christian church attracted down through the ages? (Luke 17:16, John 4:9, Acts 10:34-35)
6. All the lepers were healed. All were undoubtedly thankful. But Jesus only told the one, "Your faith has made you well" (or "whole" in the King James Version). How was this man's healing different from the other nine? Compare the other two instances when Jesus told someone their faith had made them whole. How was it different from the healing Jesus performed on hundreds, if not thousands, of others? (Luke 17:19, Matthew 9:20-22, Luke 18:35-43, Mark 10:46)
7. How can I remember to show gratitude even in the midst of my trials and my shortcomings? Where can I improve on this?
8. Faith-based gratitude:
  - a. How does it affect our mind-set? (Hebrews 13:15-16)
  - b. What does it bring us? (Philippians 4:4-7) What are the steps for this?
  - c. Is based on whose example? (Lamentations 3:22-23, Psalms 118:21-24)
  - d. Leads to what, whether in joy or in sorrow? (Nehemiah 8:9-10, Hebrews 4:15-16)
9. How can I cultivate a lifestyle where gratitude is a natural outflow of my faith, even in adversity? (Philippians 4:6-7, Colossians 3:15-17, 2 Corinthians 9:15)