

## Staying Grateful When Others Forget

### Luke 17

Luke 17:11-19 (HCSB)

While traveling to Jerusalem, He passed between Samaria and Galilee. As He entered a village, ten men with serious skin diseases met Him. They stood at a distance and raised their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When He saw them, He told them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And while they were going, they were healed. But one of them, seeing that he was healed, returned and, with a loud voice, gave glory to God. He fell facedown at His feet, thanking Him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Didn’t any return to give glory to God except this foreigner?” And He told him, “Get up and go on your way. Your faith has made you well.”

#### The Do’s and Don’ts:

**Don’t:**

- Misunderstand the Seriousness of Your Sickness

Verse 12,13 - “As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, ‘Jesus, Master, have pity on us!’”

Isaiah 64:6-7 (NIV)

All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away. No one calls on your name or strives to lay hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us and made us waste away because of our sins.

**Don’t:**

- Take joy in the gift while you forget the Giver.

Verse 17-18 “Then Jesus said, “Were not 10 cleansed? Where are the nine? Didn’t any return to give glory to God except this foreigner?”

**Do:**

- Give Praise priority over your Pride.

Verse 15 – “But one of them, seeing that he was healed, returned and, with a loud voice, gave glory to God.”

**Do:**

- Treasure fellowship and forgiveness over recognition and affirmation.

Verse 16, 19 - “He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him — and he was a Samaritan. Then he said to him, ‘Rise and go; your faith has made you well.’”

George Washington, 1789

"Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor-- and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God...

Therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be-- That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks--for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country...

and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us....and also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions."