

Returning Thanks to Jesus

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I. The Miracle

- Jesus never ignores desperate cries for help.
- The lepers demonstrate remarkable faith.
- Jesus displays his compassion and power by cleansing them.

HI: Jesus still hears and heals his followers.

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II. The Response

- The response of the lepers shows that gratitude is rare.
- The Samaritan gives thanks—and worship.
- Jesus expresses disappointment in the lepers who fail to return.

HI: The life of a Jesus follower should be marked by gratitude.

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III. The Deeper Healing

- Many people want gifts from Jesus, but not his Lordship.
- Jesus commends the faith of the Samaritan.
- The Samaritan receives a deeper healing from the Lord.

HI: Let's respond to Christ's salvation with thanksgiving and worship.