

LESSONS FROM A LEPER
Mark 1:40-45

1. If you face an impossible situation, seek Jesus for help

And a leper came to him, imploring him, and kneeling... (40)

2. If you cry out to Jesus, submit to His authority

*And a leper came to him, imploring him, and kneeling said to him, "If you will, you can make me clean."
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3. If Jesus heals you, pay attention to what He says

Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him, "I will; be clean." And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. And Jesus sternly charged him and sent him away at once, and said to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, for a proof to them." (41-44)

4. If you feel tempted to disobey, magnify the consequences on others

*But he went out and began to talk freely about it, and to spread the news, so that Jesus could no longer openly enter a town, but was out in desolate places, and people were coming to him from every quarter.
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