The One Thankful Leper – Luke 17:11-19

What do we know about him from the Bible?

- 1. He had the most feared disease of the time leprosy.
- 2. He was a Samaritan, a hated people group in Israel.
- 3. He was mindful of who healed him.



What can we speculate about him?

- 1. He may have heard about Jesus from the woman at the well. (John 4)
- 2. He was so thankful for his healing that he was willing to engage Jesus even while he is surrounded by Jews.
- 3. He recognized that this healing was of God.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Do you think that the other lepers who were healed saw the one man return to Jesus? If so, what did they think?
- 2. What point do you think Jesus was making with His comments in verses 17-18?
- 3. Why do you suppose the other nine lepers didn't give thanks to Jesus or acknowledge God's healing?

What Lessons can we learn?

- 1. Why do we often forget to be thankful?
- 2. What should we be showing gratitude to God for? (Psalm 107:1, Colossians 2:6-7, 1 Thessalonians 5:17)
- 3. The Leper loudly praised God. How often do we publicly praise or at least acknowledge God? That's part of being a witness for Him!