

## **Where are the Nine? Luke 17:11-19**

**The BIG Question:** Am I one of the \_\_\_\_\_, or am I the \_\_\_\_\_?

### **Two Aims**

1. To remind us that as followers of Jesus, our story is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. To remind us that \_\_\_\_\_ for the fourth Thursday of November. Ephesians 5:20, "Giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

### **The Lepers' Desperation**

"On the way to Jerusalem" ...

"As he entered a village" ...

- Why did much of Jesus' ministry occur in small, out-of-the-way villages?
  1. To intentionally separate himself from the \_\_\_\_\_ establishment in Jerusalem.
  2. The \_\_\_\_\_ was greater in these "map dot" villages.

"He was met by ten lepers who stood at a distance" ... Ephesians 2:4, 12, "We were dead in our trespasses and sins ... separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world."

### **Jesus' Deliverance**

"Jesus, Master, have mercy on us" ...

"Go and show yourselves to the priests" ...

- Why doesn't Jesus heal them in front of everyone?
  1. Jesus never healed for \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Going to the priests is the only way these lepers can be \_\_\_\_\_ back into society. 2 Corinthians 5:17, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

### **One Leper's Thanks**

"Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back" ...

"Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine?" ... \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus is not a substitute for \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus. 1 Samuel 12:24, "Only fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart. For consider what great things he has done for you."

"Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well" ... 1 Timothy 1:15-17, "... Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy ... So to the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. AMEN!"

### **Applications**

1. Do \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Do thanksgiving \_\_\_\_\_. Psalm 34:1, "I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth."
3. Get \_\_\_\_\_. 1 Corinthians 15:10, "... By the grace of God I am what I am."