



Thanks or No Thanks ?

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Luke 17: 11-19

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1 Thessalonians 5: ¹⁶ *Rejoice always;* ¹⁷ *pray without ceasing;* ¹⁸ *in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.*

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- Luke 17:11-19 tells an interesting story of 10 lepers that were healed, but the most significant part of this story is that only one came back to say “thanks” to Christ. What happened to the other 9?



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- Biblical instructions for those who had leprosy from Lev. 13:45,46, *“As for the leper who has the infection, his clothes shall be torn, and the hair of his head shall be uncovered, and he shall cover his mustache and cry, ‘Unclean! Unclean!’ He shall remain unclean all the days during which he has the infection; he is unclean. He shall live alone; his dwelling shall be outside the city.”*

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- “Leprosy was the outward and visible sign of the innermost spiritual condition.” (Eaton’s Bible Dictionary)

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- “*Jesus, Master, have mercy on us*” (vs.13).
- Grace is getting what you don't deserve (eternal life); mercy is not getting what you do deserve (eternal damnation).

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- “He saw”--He took the time to see that he had been blessed.

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