

Morning Lesson

“BUT WHERE ARE THE NINE?”

Luke 17:17-19

INTRO:

1. We are beginning the week of Thanksgiving.
2. As a nation, we are reminded to be thankful.
3. As Christians, we should always be thankful.

1 Tim.4:4; Heb. 12:28; Col. 2:7

I. **INGRATITUDE IN JESUS' DAY. Luke 17:11-19**

- A. Ten men with leprosy called to Jesus for help.
- B. They asked for mercy.
- C. Jesus challenged them with a test of faith.
- D. These ten men had several similarities.
- E. One turned back to thank Jesus. **Psalm 103:1-5.**
- F. This man received a special blessing. **Luke 17:19**

II. **INGRATITUDE IN OUR DAY.**

- A. Only 10% gave thanks. Are we much different today?
- B. Thankfulness is stressed in scripture. **Col. 3:15; 4:2; Phil.4:6, 7; 1 Thess. 5:18**
- C. A Christian always has something for which he can be grateful.
- D. Lack of gratitude leads to and can be sin. **Rom. 1:21; 2 Tim. 3:2**
- E. So many seem to have a sense of entitlement and feel no need to be thankful.

III. **WE ALL HAVE SOMETHING FOR WHICH WE CAN BE THANKFUL.**

- A. Have we said “thank you” to the people that have helped us along the journey of life.
- B. There are no phones in heaven – say thank you now.
- C. Are we as thankful to God as we should be?
Psalm 103:2; 1 Sam. 12:24
- D. Most of all we should be grateful for what Paul called the indescribable gift. **2 Cor. 9:15**

CONC:

1. One of the best ways to show gratitude to God is to do what he commands.
2. If I truly appreciate what God has done for me, I will not hesitate.