



## A Samaritan Leper Worships at Jesus' Feet

Luke 17:11 - 21

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
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### Overview Luke 17:11-21

- Ten lepers are cleansed
- Only one glorifies God
- The man is a Samaritan
- Jesus is to be worshipped
- Being healed is not the same as being saved
- The kingdom of God was present in the person of Christ

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### Return to the travel motif

- **Luke 17:11**

While He was on the way to Jerusalem, He was passing between Samaria and Galilee.

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They cry out to Jesus for mercy

- **Luke 17:12, 13**

As He entered a village, ten leprous men who stood at a distance met Him; and they raised their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

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Lepers were isolated

- **Leviticus 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 camp.

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They obey and are healed

- **Luke 17:14**

When He saw them, He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they were going, they were cleansed.

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Only a Samaritan gives thanks

■ **Luke 17:15, 16**

Now one of them, when he saw that he had been healed, turned back, glorifying God with a loud voice, and he fell on his face at His feet, giving thanks to Him. And he was a Samaritan.

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Earlier Shepherds glorified God for what they had seen

■ **Luke 2:20**

And the shepherds went back, glorifying and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them.

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Only the Samaritan gave glory to God

■ **Luke 17:17, 18**

Then Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But the nine where are they? Was no one found who returned to give glory to God, except this foreigner?"

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Only the Samaritan is “saved”

■ **Luke 17:19**

And He said to him, “Stand up and go; your faith has made you well.”

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The Pharisees do not see; the Samaritan did

■ **Luke 17:20, 21**

Now having been questioned by the Pharisees as to when the kingdom of God was coming, He answered them and said, “The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed; nor will they say, ‘Look, here it is!’ or, ‘There it is!’ For behold, the kingdom of God is in your midst.”

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Implications and Applications

- 1) The proper “place” of worship is at Jesus’ feet
- 2) Believers must be thankful for being the recipients of mercy
- 3) Being healed and still lost is not a real benefit

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1) The proper "place" of worship is at Jesus' feet

■ **John 4:21, 23**

Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, an hour is coming when neither in this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. . . . But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers."

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1) The proper "place" of worship is at Jesus' feet

■ **Romans 12:1**

Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

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2) Believers must be thankful for being the recipients of mercy

■ **1Timothy 1:15, 16**

It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all. Yet for this reason I found mercy, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life.

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2) Believers must be thankful for being the recipients of mercy

■ **1Peter 1:3**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

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3) Being healed and still lost is not a real benefit

■ **John 5:5, 6**

A man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he had already been a long time in that condition, He said to him, "Do you wish to get well?"

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3) Being healed and still lost is not a real benefit

■ **John 5:7, 8**

The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, but while I am coming, another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Get up, pick up your pallet and walk."

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3) Being healed and still lost is not a real benefit

■ **John 5:9, 10**

Immediately the man became well, and picked up his pallet and began to walk. Now it was the Sabbath on that day. So the Jews were saying to the man who was cured, "It is the Sabbath, and it is not permissible for you to carry your pallet."

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3) Being healed and still lost is not a real benefit

■ **John 5:11, 12**

But he answered them, "He who made me well was the one who said to me, 'Pick up your pallet and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Pick up your pallet and walk'?"

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3) Being healed and still lost is not a real benefit

■ **John 5:13**

But the man who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had slipped away while there was a crowd in that place.

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3) Being healed and still lost is not a real benefit

■ **John 5:14, 15**

Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "Behold, you have become well; do not sin anymore, so that nothing worse happens to you." The man went away, and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

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