

# Jesus Heals the Lepers

## Luke 17:11-19

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### Think About It!

Outline: Recap

### Talk About It!

Points to Ponder

### Do It!

Questions to draw out understanding.

### Think About It!

We're all looking for healing in one way or another, and at the tail end of a year like 2020 and the front end of a new year that (so far) feels no different, many of us feel confronted head-on with our own needs in a way we never have been before...What does Jesus say to us in this space? What will he do, and how might he surprise us? When Jesus decides to move in his people to restore them, he never does just one thing at a time. When God restores his people, he multi-tasks, restoring us from the inside out—a reality we'll see in high-definition in Luke 17.

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### Talk About It!

#### 1. Jesus is in the restorative business

- **Luke 17:11-13**
- **Parent Notes**
  - **Have you ever watched something grow from a seed? How long did it take?** Just like those seeds, when Jesus is growing something new in our lives, it takes time. It doesn't happen overnight, but it *is* happening. Jesus is always working in ways we can't see. Wherever he went, he was helping to grow new and beautiful things in their lives.
  - **(Hey Parents! To help teach this point, you can take your kiddos on a tour through your house, looking for things that are broken that need to be fixed. You can talk about ways they could be fixed as an illustration of how we work through repentance with the Lord.) Is there anything broken around your house that you want to see fixed?** As you think about the things in your house that need to be fixed, what do you need to fix them? They might need different tools or people to come and help. Chances are, even if you see that something is broken, you probably can't fix it all on your own. You might need help from your parents, or a professional fixer (like a plumber or a builder). But you could probably be a big help!
  - **(Now, take time as a family to pray and ask the Lord to show you other things that are broken. Is there anything in your relationships that is broken? Is there anything you need to say sorry for? You might not be able to think of anything, so ask Jesus to show you.) Is there anything broken in your family or your friendships that you want to see fixed?** Just like the house, we can't fix our lives all by ourselves, but that's okay. Jesus is a professional fixer! He wants to come in and build something beautiful and new. It might take time, but he is doing good things!

## 2. Faith and restoration

- **Luke 17:14**
- **Parent Notes**
  - **If we want God to fix things, we have to be willing to do what he says. What did he tell the blind men to do?** In the case of these blind men, Jesus gave specific instructions that they needed to follow before they could be healed. They did what Jesus said because they believed in who he is.
  - **What are some things that God has asked you to do, either in his Word or in your own heart? Are you obeying him?** We have to believe in who God is and do what he says. Until we take that step, we won't get to see the powerful things that God wants to do in us and through us. If we're going to do what Jesus asked of us, we have to believe that he is who he says he is.

## 3. Jesus restores our soul

- **Luke 17:15-19**
- **Parent Notes**
  - **Who is Jesus?** To the one leper who returned to thank Jesus, Jesus said, "Your faith has made you well." The leper recognized who Jesus was. He didn't go back just to thank Jesus for healing his body, but for the healing that happened in his heart. When we thank Jesus for who he is and what he has done, that's worship!
  - **What has Jesus done for you?** Jesus sees all the things that are broken in our houses and our bodies, but he wants to fix our hearts. He looks past our outside to our heart as he does his amazing fixing work.
  - **Have you thanked him and worshiped him for what he has done?** When we see the amazing fixing that Jesus is doing in us, it's time to worship him! What can you thank Jesus for today and how are you going to worship him.

### Optional Follow-up Questions:

- What makes you say that?
- What makes you say that?
- How does that make you feel?
- How would you explain this to someone who doesn't know Jesus?
- Why do you think God did it that way?
- Why should we do the things that God tells us?