

Unit 22 • Session 1

## Jesus Healed Ten Men

**Bible Passage:**

Luke 17

**Story Point:**

Jesus healed ten men with a skin disease.

**Key Passage:**

Isaiah 53:4-5

**Big Picture Question:**

Why did God create people? God created people to love Him and give Him glory.

### Parent Bible Study

Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem when He stopped in a village. He was approached by ten men who had leprosy. The men didn't get too close because according to Jewish law, their disease meant they were unclean. Leviticus 13–14 details the law regarding skin diseases such as leprosy. A person had to go to a priest for a diagnosis, isolated himself from others, and then—after healing occurred—returned to the priest to be examined, cleansed, and restored to the community.

The men cried out to Jesus for mercy, and He commanded them to go and show themselves to the priests. As they went, Jesus miraculously healed them. This healing gave the men a new beginning. They would be able to return to their friends and family members. One of the men—a Samaritan among Jews—seeing that he was healed, returned to Jesus.

Luke tells us how this man responded: “He ... gave glory to God. He fell facedown at [Jesus'] feet, thanking him” (Luke 17:15-16). This humility and gratitude were evidences of faith. The man's response shows an understanding of God's mercy and goodness. Jesus declared, “Get up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you” (v. 19). This man was healed not just physically but spiritually.

The Bible says all of us have sinned. Our sin makes us unclean, but we can cry out to God like the men with leprosy: “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” God hears our prayers and answers. (See Ps. 51:17.) The gospel welcomes everyone who turns from sin and trusts in Jesus.

As you teach preschoolers, emphasize that when we trust in Jesus by faith, He heals us from something greater than a disease; He saves us from our sins. We can give Him thanks and worship Him for making us new.

## The BIBLE Story

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*Luke 17*

**Jesus** was going to Jerusalem when He **stopped in a small town**. **Ten men cried out to Him, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!”** The men stayed away from Jesus because they **had a skin disease**. **They had to stay far away from everyone until their sickness went away so no one else would catch it.**

**Jesus** saw them and **said, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.”** Jesus wanted the men to follow a law that God had given to Moses. The law said if a person had been healed from a skin disease, he had to show himself to the priest so the priest could say he had been healed.

**As the ten men went to the priest, they all were healed. One of the men hurried back to Jesus. He praised God, fell down at Jesus’ feet, and thanked Him.** This man was not a Jew; he was from Samaria.

**Jesus asked, “Didn’t I heal ten men? Where are the others?” Only one man had come back to say thank You and give praise to God.**

**Jesus said, “Get up and go on your way. You are saved because you have faith.”**

*Christ Connection: Ten men cried out to Jesus, and He healed them. One man had faith and was saved. When we trust in Jesus, He heals us from something greater than a disease; He saves us from our sins. We can thank God and worship Him for making us new.*