

UNIT 22 | SESSION 1 | June 6-7, 2020

Elementary Parent Guide

Jesus Healed Ten Men

Bible Passage: Luke 17

Story Point: Jesus healed ten men and one showed gratitude.

Key Passage: "Yet he himself bore our sicknesses..." punishment for our peace was on him, and we are healed

by his wounds." Isaiah 53:4-5

Christ Connection: When we trust in Jesus, He heals us from something greater than a disease; He saves us

from our sins.

Use this guide to unpack what your kids are learning in the KidCity Online Experience. Pick an activity that works best for your family and lead your kids through the discussion questions. Check out the <u>Younger Kids Activity Page</u> for K-1st or the Older Kids Activity Page for 2nd-5th as an additional resource for your kids to do during the week.

ACTIVITY OPTION 1: THANK YOU NOTES

(Construction Paper – 1 per kid, Crayons, Markers, Scissors, Glue, Other Optional Art Supplies)

Distribute construction paper and art supplies. Encourage kids to write thank-you notes to people who have given them a gift. Emphasize that the gift may be a physical gift—like a toy or game—or it may be something like words of encouragement, support, or friendship.

Instruct kids to fold the construction paper to make cards. Kids may use various art supplies to decorate their cards. Suggest kids also write a thank-you note to God for the wonderful things He has done.

Some people you can write to are mom, dad, teacher, KidCity leaders, Pastor Mike, coach, neighbor, or a friend.

• What kinds of things did you say "thank you" for? [Allow kids to respond.] God is good, and He gives good gifts. The Bible says that every good gift comes from Him. Sometimes God blesses us through the generosity of others. In all things, we can thank God for His love and care. God's greatest gift to us is His Son, Jesus, who died on the cross and rose again so we can have forgiveness and life with God forever.

ACTIVITY OPTION 2: The Gratitude Game (M&MS, Skittles, or torn up pieces of varied colors of construction paper)

Have everyone take a small handful of M&Ms, Skittles, or pieces of construction paper. Using the color categories below, each person will name what they are grateful for based on the color of every piece of candy or paper in front of them. For example, if you have four red M&Ms you will name four people you are grateful that God created.



Red = A person you are grateful that God created

Orange = A thing you are grateful that God has given you

Yellow = A place you are grateful that God created

Green = A food you are grateful that God created

Blue = A prayer you are grateful that God has answered

Purple/Brown = A skill you are grateful that God has given you

(If you have different colors than mentioned above, feel free to change the color categories to fit what you have on hand.)

• It is good to recognize that every gift we have been given comes from God, and to let him know how grateful we are for each of those gifts. The greatest gift God has given us is Jesus Christ, and Jesus can heal us from our sins. All we need to do is trust Him enough to ask.

DISCUSSION

(Bible)

Help kids find Luke 17 using a table of contents, if needed.

How many men did Jesus heal of leprosy? (ten, Luke 17:17)

How many returned to praise Jesus and thank Him? (one, Luke 17:15-16)

Do you feel more like the man who thanked Jesus, or the nine who did not? Encourage kids to share their thoughts and try to answer honestly. Be prepared to share your own experience of times you honored God for His goodness and times you struggled to. Help kids to see that our sinful hearts often take God's goodness for granted. We expect only good and forget that God can use hard times for His glory.

How do you show God you are thankful to Him? Guide kids to discuss the different ways we can give thanks to, glorify, and honor God. Help them see that we can worship God in our words and with our actions. Remind them that obedience to God, parents, and teachers is a great way to show God you trust and love Him. We can also show His love to others. **When might it be difficult to show God you love Him and are thankful?** Help kids see that during difficult times, such as when we are sick or in pain, we might find it difficult to see God's work around us. Encourage kids that everything God does is for His glory and our good, even in the middle of difficult or sad circumstances.

SAY • Jesus healed ten men, and one was thankful. The man who came back and thanked Jesus had faith and praised God for what He had done. We can praise God too.

REFLECTION AND PRAYER

Pray as a family and ask the following questions:

What does this story teach me about God? What does this story teach me about myself? Who can I tell about this story?

CONNECT

(Younger Kids Activity Page – K-1st, Older Kids Activity Page – 2nd-5th)

Download the Kids Activity Page and encourage your child to do it at home with you this week.

