

Attitude Check

Lesson Three • Luke 17:11-19

An Attitude of Thankfulness

Attitude Check: Replace a Complaining Attitude with an Attitude of Thankfulness

Thankfulness is the attitude that perfectly REPLACES my sinful tendency to complain and thereby release joy back into my life.

The Story of the Ten Lepers

Now it happened as He went to Jerusalem that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee. Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. Luke 17:11-14

Thanklessness Is Nothing New!

But understand this, that in the last days difficult times will come. For people will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, UNGRATEFUL, unholy, 2Timothy 3:1-2

Lessons from the Lepers on Thankfulness

Lesson 1: Thanklessness Is an Attitude That DISAPPOINTS God!

So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" Luke 17:17-18

- Jesus NOTICES those who are ungrateful.
- Jesus EXPECTS us to be thankful.

Lesson 2: Thankfulness Is an Attitude That Is MUCH MORE Than Just Saying, "Thanks"!

And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. Luke 17:15-16

- SEE the blessings of God in your life.
- CHOOSE to give thanks.
- PRAISE God as your gracious and ultimate provider.
- EXPRESS your appreciation with humility.
- BE THANKFUL regardless of your circumstances.

Lesson 3: Thankfulness Is an Attitude That Releases JOY Back into Our Lives!

And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well." Luke 17:19

- Great joy is released when we thank God for His SOVEREIGNTY.
- Greater joy is released when we thank God for His SUFFICIENCY.

Putting On an Attitude of Thankfulness

Gratitude is the attitude that sets the ALTITUDE for living.

How high are you flying?

Am I a thankful person? Am I seeing the blessings of thankfulness in my life?
Am I choosing thankfulness over complaining day-by-day?