

Glenview New Church Sunday Morning Program
Preschool Lessons, Phase 2 - Lesson 10
One Leper Who Thanked the Lord (Luke 17:11-19)

Theme: Thanking the Lord

I. Underlying Ideas for the Teacher

- A. It is good to give thanks to the Lord for all the blessings He has given us.
- B. Everything the Lord created is for the sake of mankind. (TCR 67)
- C. The Lord requires that we give thanks for our own sake so that we might come into a state receptive of His love.
- D. Truly thanking the Lord involves both appreciating the gifts that He gives and using them wisely.

II. Story Circle

- A. Introduce the Story
 - 1. Who made you? (The Lord) Who made the sun? (The Lord) Who made the trees and the flowers? (The Lord) Who made the animals? (The Lord) The Lord made everything! We should thank the Lord for all that He has made.
 - 2. Do we have other things to thank the Lord for? Yes! We should thank Him for giving us parents to care for us, for giving us food and clothing, for the Word, and for leading us to heaven. We have many reasons to thank the Lord!
 - 3. When the Lord lived on the earth. He healed many people who were sick. Today we will hear a story about the Lord healing ten men. They all had leprosy which was a terrible sickness. Let's hear what happens in the story.
- B. Tell/Read the Story
 - 1. Read the story from the Word In Luke 17:11-19. Then retell the essence of the story to help them understand the key points.
- C. Ideas to Discuss
 - 1. How many lepers did the Lord meet? (Ten)
 - 2. What did the lepers do? (They asked the Lord to heal them)
 - 3. What did the Lord tell them to do? (Go show themselves to the priests)
 - 4. Before they even went to the priests something wonderful happened. What was it? (The ten lepers were healed)
 - 5. Did they all come back to thank the Lord? (No)
 - 6. How many lepers came back to thank the Lord? (One)
 - 7. Was the Lord pleased that he came back? (Yes)

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8. The Lord asked where the nine others were that were healed. Where do you think they were?

D. Further Ideas

1. Would you thank the Lord if He healed you from a terrible sickness? Only one leper thanked the Lord. The other nine lepers went their way and seemed to forget about the Lord.
2. Did you know that we should thank the Lord every day? That is why we say grace to the Lord before our meals, thanking Him each day for all the good things He gives us. And that is why many people around the world have a special day of thanksgiving.
3. Optional: If we are really thankful for the Lord's gifts to us, we will use them wisely. If we are thankful for our food, we will eat what is good for our bodies. If we are thankful for the Lord's Word, we will want to learn the stories from the Word. If we are thankful for our parents, we will try to obey them. If we are thankful for our friends, we will be nice to them. If we are thankful that the Lord cares for us, we will try to remember to thank Him every day for all His blessings!

III. Enrichment Activities

A. Music

1. "When I'm Happy I Like to Sing," *First Songs*
2. "Wonder Song," *First Songs*
3. "Praise the Lord Together Singing"
4. "Thank you Lord for food this day," *Lori's Songs III*, Side 2, 13th song.

B. Activities

1. Say the blessing together: "O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good and His mercy is forever. Amen."
2. Do Creation Fingerplay

C. Project

1. Materials Needed
 - a. The blessing printed on paper.
 - b. A variety of stickers to make a border: flowers, birds, lambs, other animals, stars, fruit, *etc.*
2. Motivation
 - a. Do you know what the words on this paper are? These words are the blessing that we often say before we eat our meals. (Read the blessing to the children). Can you use the stickers to make a beautiful border around the blessing?
3. Procedure
 - a. Give each child the printed blessing and an assortment of stickers. Tell them to be careful not to cover up the words!

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IV. Teaching Aids

- A. Illustrations of the Lord healing people.
- B. *The Lord Gives Us Everything* book made by the North Ohio's Women's Guild.

V. Further Reading for the Teacher

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Fingerplay

The Lord (*hands raised*) made the sun (*arms circle overhead*).

The Lord (*hands raised*) made the tree (*arms like a tree*).

The Lord (*hands raised*) made the earth (*spin as if on axis*).

And the Lord (*hands raised*) made me! (*hug yourself to show how the Lord loves you*)

Thank you, Lord, (*hands folded*) for making the sun (*arms circle overhead*).

Thank you, Lord, (*hands folded*) for making the tree (*arms like a tree*).

Thank you, Lord, (*hands folded*) for making the earth (*spin as if on an axis*).

And thank you, Lord, (*hands folded*) for making me! (*hug yourself to show how
the Lord loves you*).

**Oh, give thanks unto
the Lord, for He is
good! For His mercy
is forever. Amen.**

(Psalm 106:1)