

November 18-19, 2017

DATE

The Thankful Leper

LESSON TITLE

Luke 17:11-19

WHERE TO FIND IT

Jesus wants us to give thanks!

MAIN POINT

schedule

First 10 minutes of the service hour:

Engage kids in cooperative play activities to help them connect to other kids

Next 5 minutes: Connect Time

Next 25 minutes: Large Group

Last 25 minutes: Snack and Small Group

tips

During Large Group, make sure you're an active participant alongside kids! Sit next to them and react to the presenter in fun, engaging ways. Try to have as much, if not more, energy than the preschoolers!

check-in/out

As kids leave, ask them what things they're thankful for, and what they drew.

large group heads up

Today's story is about a guy who told Jesus "thank you." It's an important reminder that we need to thank God for everything he gives us!



connect time

GOAL: *Connect time is all about engaging kids in a short, interactive introduction to prepare them for the story they will hear in Large Group.*

- **Clean up! (10 minutes after the service start time, when you get the 10-minute warning from the presenter)**
- Have kids sit on the carpet.
- *Tell Kids:* “We’re going to hear how God helped heal 10 sick men, and how one of those men did something that Jesus wants all of us to do!”
- **Say:**
 - In this story there are 10 men, **can you show me 10 fingers?** (Everyone holds up 10 fingers)
 - These men were so sick. **Let’s pretend we are sick.** (Everyone puts their face in their elbows and makes a coughing sound)
 - When you are sick, who do you go see? (A doctor)
 - These 10 men went to see Jesus instead! **Let’s all stand up and walk this way to go see Jesus** (point to one side of the room, and walk there)
 - Jesus is going to give them a special job to do! He tells them to go see the priests. **Now let’s all walk back to the rug** to go see the priests (walk to the rug).
 - When they do this, they get healed! They feel all better. **Everybody say Yay!!** (Everyone yells yay!)
 - One of those men does something different from everyone else, and we’re going to go into large group to hear the rest of the story!
- Have kids line up at the door.

Before walking into Large Group, encourage kids to put a bubble in their mouths and turn on their listening ears! Remind them to sit on the rug, and that HOPS will be showing us how we should act in Large Group, so we have to listen!

special notes

Here's a video that shows a sign language motion we'll be doing at the end of Large Group.

<https://www.signingsavvy.com/sign/THANK%20YOU/426/1>

presenter tips

Here's a new music video we'll be singing today, called "Clap Your Hands". It will be helpful for you to stay on the stage and show kids when to clap their hands, stomp their feet and shout "Hooray" (it's a fresh twist on the old version!)

Music Video: Clap Your Hands
(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ak_ZXwRmbCQ)

script

WELCOME AND INTRO

Main Goal: Review the beginning of God's story and rescue plan.

Notes:

- ***Click to play intro music.**
- **Say:** Hi Friends! Welcome to Kids' Club. I'm _____ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS.
- **Video: HOPS Put on your listening ears! (fall theme)**
- **Say:** (Holding up the **Bible**.) *This* is God's story. Out of all the stories in the world, this is the most important. Do you know what it's called? (Let kids respond "the Bible.") That's right, the Bible! It's God's rescue plan. It shows us how He rescued us from all the wrong things in the world.
- **Say:** In the beginning, God made the whole world and everything in it. He created the sun and the moon, the water and the land, the plants and the animals, and people like you and me! Everything was good. Give me a big thumbs up! (Let kids respond. Then change your tone.)
- **Say:** But THEN, something bad happened. Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and all the wrong things came into the world. Things like sadness and death. Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** Even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God, God loved them anyway! He planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve, and you and me, could be close to God again! Do you know who the Rescuer is? (Let kids say: Jesus!)

INTRO: THE 10 LEPERS

Main Goal: Understand who the 10 lepers were, and why they were sad and lonely.

- **(Image: Doctor)** Do you know what kind of person this is? (Let kids say: Doctor!) That's right, it's a doctor! If you've been sick before, raise your hand. (Let kids respond.) Yeah, we all get sick, including me! Being sick is not fun. Everybody make a sad face. (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** Well today, we're going to talk about 10 men who really were sick. Can everybody hold up 10 fingers? (Let kids hold up fingers.) Good job! But guess what? These 10 men didn't go to a doctor. They went to see Jesus!

JESUS MEETS THE LEPERS

Main Goal: See what happens when Jesus first meets the sick men.

- **Say:** Everybody stand up! I'm going to need you to do some actions to help me tell this story. (Let kids stand up.)
- **Say:** One day, Jesus was traveling to a town called Galilee. Everybody march in place! (Lead kids and march in place.) While he was traveling, men met him!
- **(Image of 10 men.)** These men had a disease called leprosy. They were very, VERY sick. They were so sick, in fact, that they couldn't go near other people. Everybody, take a giant step backwards (Lead kids in stepping backwards.) Good job. Now you can have a seat for this next part (Let kids sit.)
- **Say:** When Jesus saw these 10 men, they said to him, "Master, have pity on us!" which is kind of like saying, "Jesus! Be sad we are so sick!" Can you guys yell, "Jesus! Be sad!" (Let kids respond.) Now yell, "We are so sick!" (Let kids respond.) Good job.

JESUS HEALS THE SICK MEN

Main Goal: See how Jesus healed the sick men of their leprosy when they obeyed him!

- **Say:** Let's watch a video and see what happens next!
- **Video: Saddleback Kids / The Thankful Leper**
- **Ask:** Did Jesus make them all better? (Let kids respond.) He did! And after that, most of the men went on their way. But ONE man (hold up one finger) went back to Jesus. This man said, "Thank you!", and he threw himself at Jesus' feet. Everybody touch your feet! (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** Jesus was sad that the other 9 men didn't come back to say thank you. But he was SO happy that one of them DID come back!
- **Say:** Guess what? Jesus wants US to give thanks to God too, because God gives us everything we need, and he takes care of us.

WE CAN GIVE THANKS TOO

Main Goal: Understand how WE can give thanks to God too, and learn a motion to help us remember!

- **Say:** Let's do a special motion that means, "Thank you." Are you ready to learn it? (Let kids respond.) (***Video link of this motion is at beginning of script.***) Okay, put your fingers over your mouth, and then bring them down, so your whole hand is facing up, like *this!* (Demonstrate for kids, and repeat with them a few times while saying, "Thank you!") Good job guys!
- **Say:** We can thank Jesus when he helps us feel better, or when he gives us food to eat, or for our favorite toy, or our friends. We can thank him on a good day, or on a bad day! We can also thank Jesus for rescuing us! Yay!

WRAP UP AND WORSHIP

Main Goal: Help kids interact through prayer and worship!

- **Pray (Breaking it into small, repeatable phrases):** Dear God. Thank you for taking care of us. Thank you for rescuing us. We love you. Aaa-men!
- **Set up worship:** My favorite way to show Jesus how thankful we are....is to worship him with singing and dancing! Let's all stand up and worship him right now!
- **Music Video: Clap Your Hands**
- **Music Video: Whole Wide World**
- **Music Video: I Just Want to Thank You**



instructions

Goals: Kids will (1) understand why a man thanked Jesus after being healed and (2) thank Jesus for everything he gives us!

Why? We want kids to think about ways they can show gratitude to Jesus during the Thanksgiving holiday. After all, Jesus asks us to give thanks in all things!

Tip: Share with kids what YOU'RE thankful for! It might help give them ideas and think of more things that they can thank Jesus for.

small group

REVIEW THE STORY

1. When Jesus was traveling, who did he meet? (10 sick men/lepers.)
2. What did the sick men say to Jesus? (Jesus, feel sad for us, we are so sick!)
3. Was Jesus sad that the men were sick? (Yes.)
4. After the sick men did what Jesus said, what happened to them? (They were healed.)
5. How many men said "thank you" to Jesus? (One.)
6. Does Jesus want us to give thanks too? (Yes!)
7. Everyone say "Jesus wants us to give thanks!", and do the "Thank You" sign language motion.

MAKE IT PERSONAL

- **Say:** Jesus loves it when we say thank you. Let's practice doing our "Thank you" motion from Large Group, and tell Jesus what we're thankful for! (Demonstrate the motion again, and have kids do it while saying different things they're thankful for, like family, friends, toys, food, pets, etc.)
- Put a **large sheet of tear-off paper** on the table or the floor, and set out **markers**.
- Have kids gather around the paper, and draw everything they are thankful for—small or large! Encourage them to try to fill up the WHOLE paper with as many things as they can think of! And if you can, go around and write what the child says they drew!
- Display the paper in a prominent way, so parents see it when they pick kids up.
- Give each kid a **story card** and a **smiley face ring**, and remind them to tell Jesus "thank you" whenever they see their ring!

*Extra time? Have kids do a **coloring sheet** or **playdough**. Spend the last 10 minutes reading a story from *The Jesus Storybook Bible*. Pick anyone you would like!!*



connect questions

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lesson supplies

Connect Time			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
No supplies needed			

Large Group			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Jesus Storybook Bible	1 per large group, reused	BiblesbytheCase.com	site

Small Group			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Coloring Page - Thankful Leper	1 per kid	Page 8, white paper, black & white	site
Smiley Face Ring	1 per kid	Oriental Trading, Item #IN-24/1164	KC National
Large tear off sheet of paper	1 per group	Discount School Supply	site
Thankful Leper story card	1 per kid	8.5x11 cardstock, color, cut into quarter sheets, Page 9	site

name _____



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A/V needs

Preschool



1. Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. Video: HOPS Put your listening ears on!
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FhSEtbtZBg0&feature=youtu.be>)
3. Image: Doctor
4. Image: 10 men
5. Video: Saddleback Kids / The Thankful Leper
(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LzZUDRrKgl8&index=19&list=PL5aPdmniG3y_n7hXEKTV4qQnleCe-p6Ws)
6. Music Video: Clap Your Hands (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ak_ZXwRmbCQ)
7. Music Video: Whole Wide World
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bHvGLEmJmWE&t=6s>)
8. Music Video: I Just Want to Thank You
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VWPpTiLecoE>)