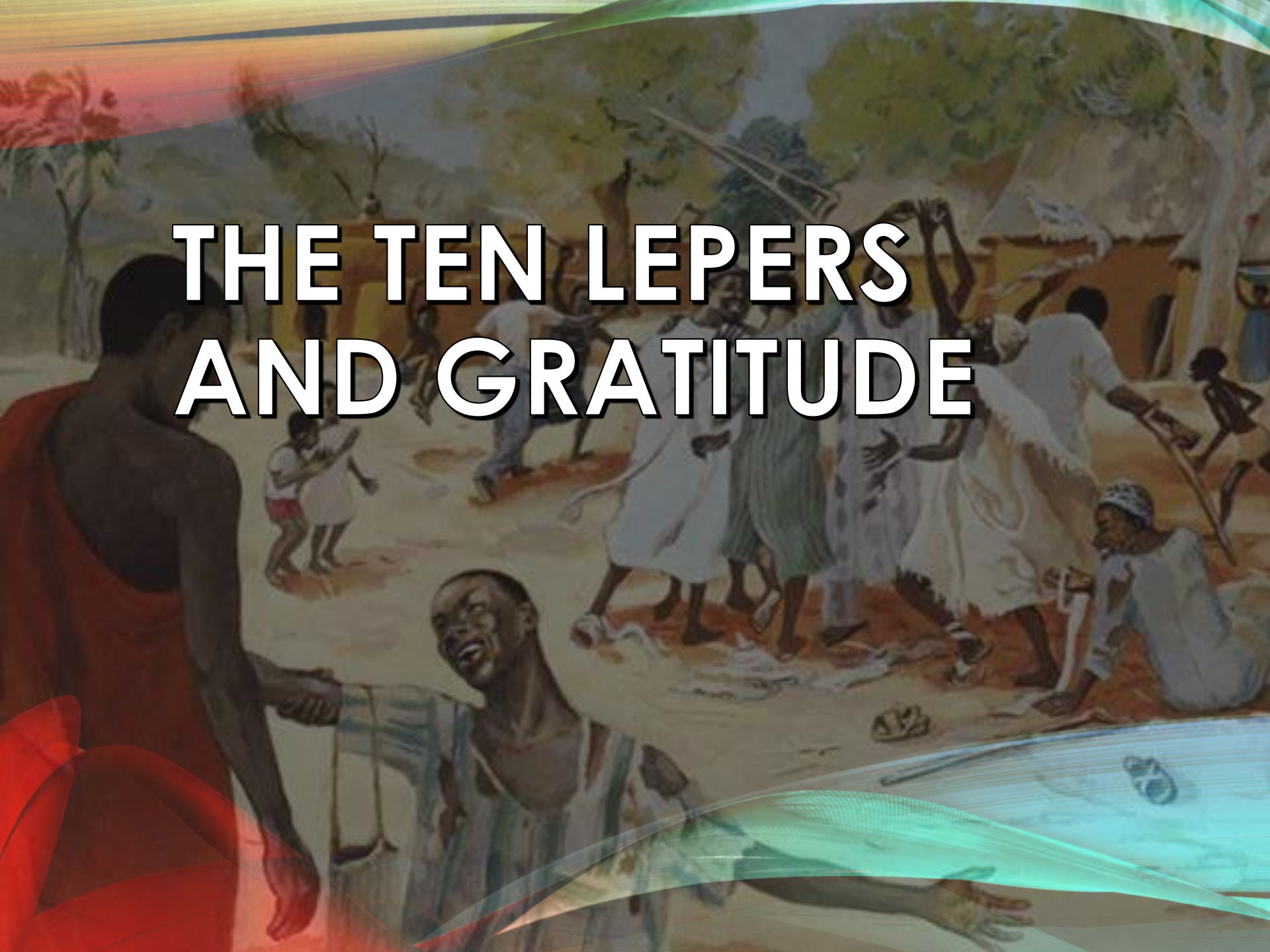


THE TEN LEPERS AND GRATITUDE





The account of the healing of the ten lepers is replete with lessons, especially the lesson of gratitude (**Luke 17: 12-19**). Too many fail to be thankful for all God has done.

Observations:

Vs. 12, 13: Lepers were isolated (*Lev. 13: 46*). The ten lepers appeared to have known of Jesus (cp. *Matt. 4: 23, 8: 2, 3*).

Vs. 14: Jesus tested their faith.

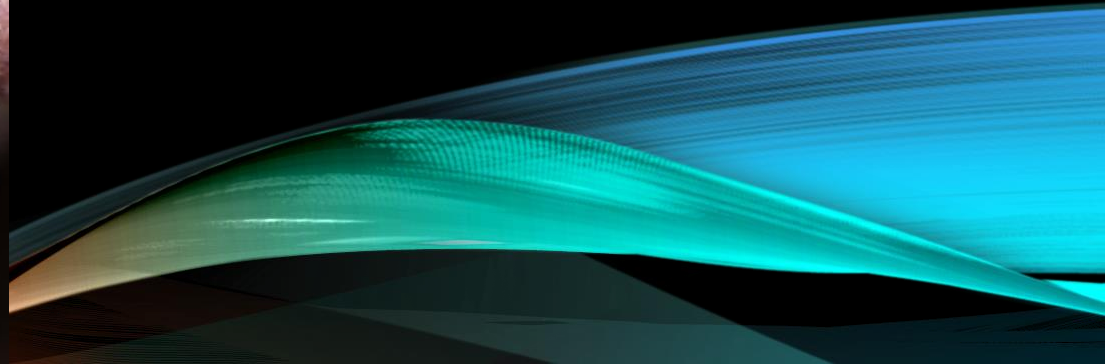
Vs. 15, 16: Healed on the way. The Samaritan returned (others probably Jews).

Vs. 17, 18: Ten per cent gave thanks.

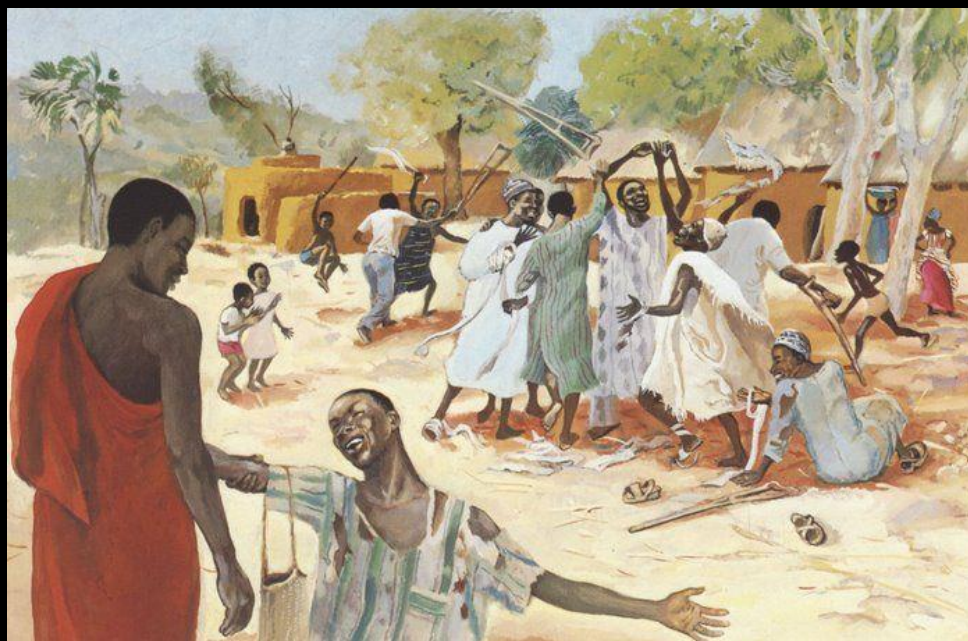
Vs. 19: Faith made whole (*Gal. 5: 6*).

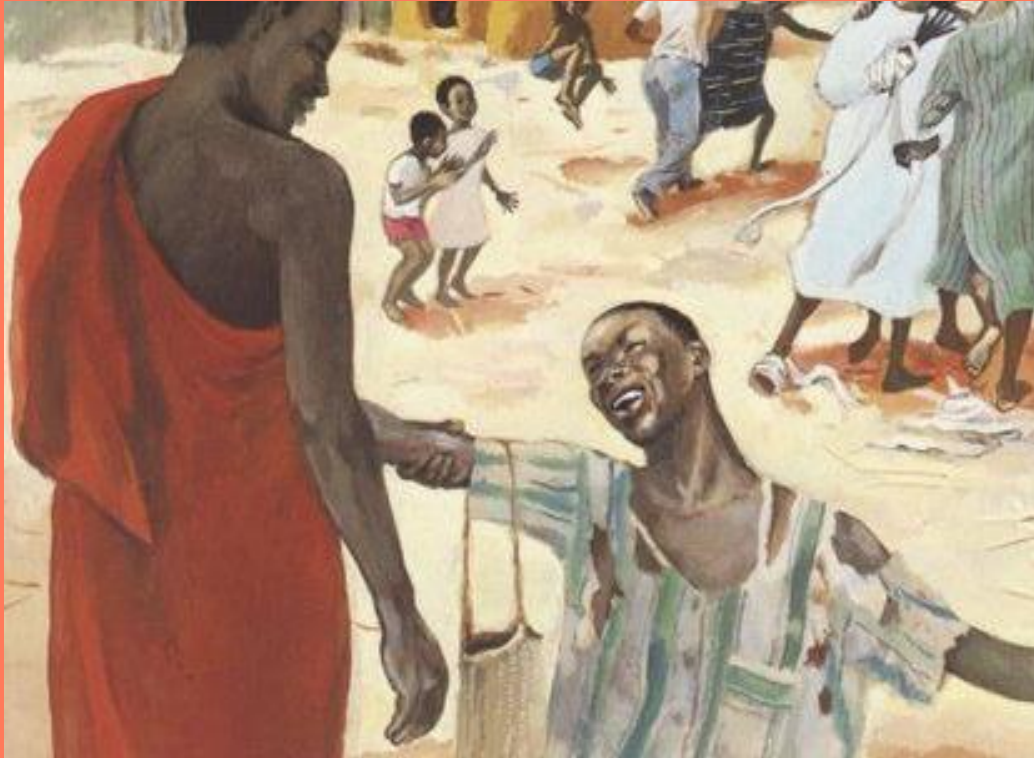


Leprosy was a horrible disease during Bible days. Members would fall off at the joints:



**Ten left
and were
healed on
the way.**

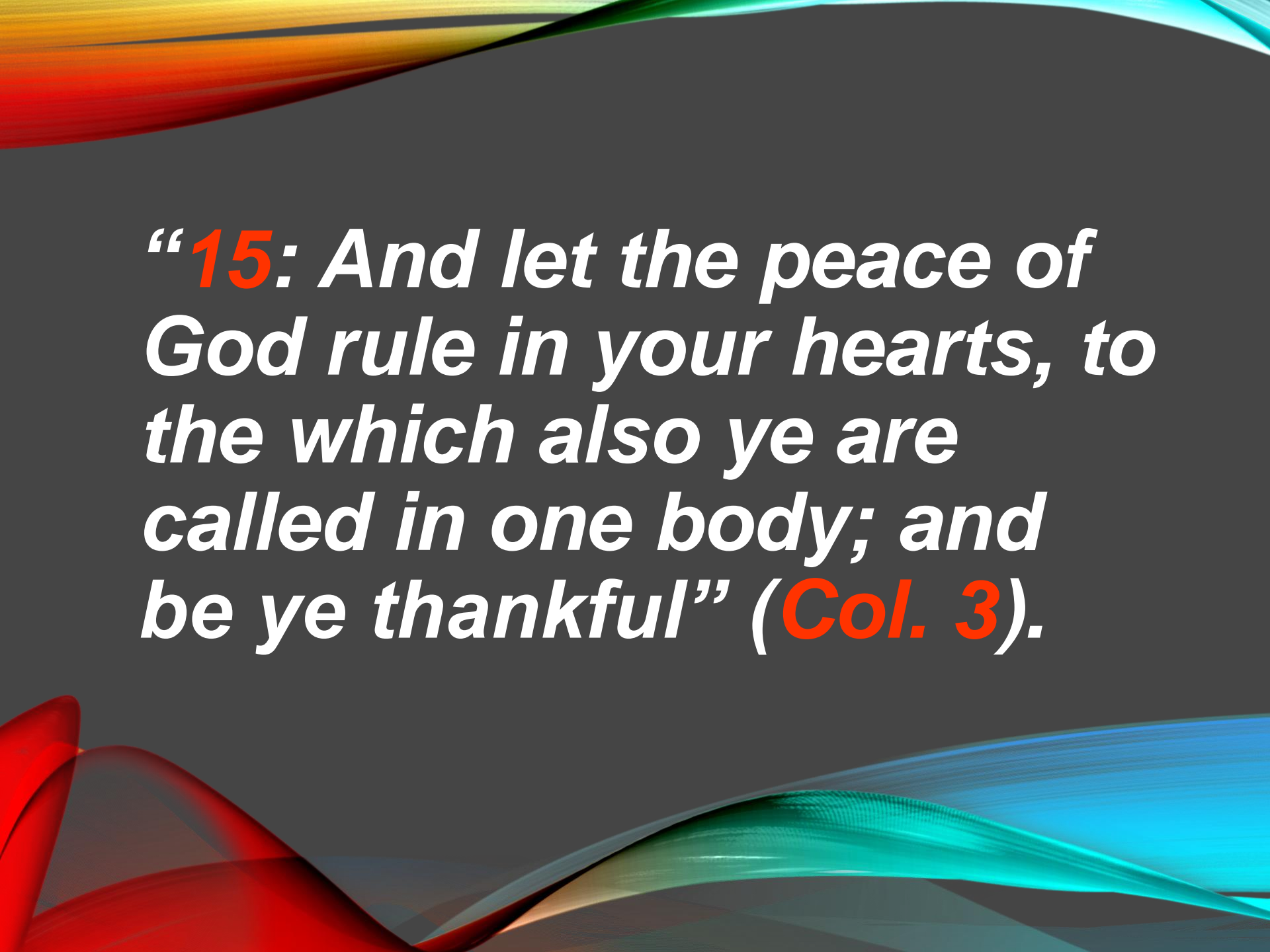




**Only one
healed leper
returned to
give thanks!**

Reasons to be thankful:

1. Remission of sins (**Acts 2: 38**).
2. Jesus' death, etc. (**Rom. 5: 6-10**).
3. The church (**Matt. 11: 11, Eph. 1: 3**).
4. Prayer (**Phili. 4: 6**).
5. The promise of heaven (**I Pet. 1: 4**).
6. Difficulties in life (**Jas. 1: 2-4**).
7. God's fidelity (**Heb. 13: 5, 6**).



*“**15**: And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful” (**Col. 3**).*