

Faith and Love C.O.G.I.C Bible Band

Lesson 8 July 22, 2025

GOD HEALS LEPERS



### Background Reading:

- **!** Leviticus 13;1-13
- **❖** 2 Kings5:1-14
- Matthew 10:8
- **♦** Mark 1:40-45

# Devotional Reading:

**\Delta** Luke 17:11-19



### **Background Reading**

#### **Leviticus 13:1-13**

1 And the Lord spake unto Moses and Aaron, saying,

2 When a man shall have in the skin of his flesh a rising, a scab, or bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh like the plague of leprosy; then he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or unto one of his sons the priests:

3 And the priest shall look on the plague in the skin of the flesh: and when the hair in the plague is turned white, and the plague in sight be deeper than the skin of his flesh, it is a plague of leprosy: and the priest shall look on him, and pronounce him unclean.

4 If the bright spot be white in the skin of his flesh, and in sight be not deeper than the skin, and the hair thereof be not turned white; then the priest shall shut up him that hath the plague seven days:



## **Background Reading**

#### **Leviticus 13:1-13**

5 And the priest shall look on him the seventh day: and, behold, if the plague in his sight be at a stay, and the plague spread not in the skin; then the priest shall shut him up seven days more:

6 And the priest shall look on him again the seventh day: and, behold, if the plague be somewhat dark, and the plague spread not in the skin, the priest shall pronounce him clean: it is but a scab: and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean.

7 But if the scab spread much abroad in the skin, after that he hath been seen of the priest for his cleansing, he shall be seen of the priest again.



### **Background Reading**

### **Leviticus 13:1-13**

8 And if the priest see that, behold, the scab spreadeth in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a leprosy.

9 When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought unto the priest;

10 And the priest shall see him: and, behold, if the rising be white in the skin, and it have turned the hair white, and there be quick raw flesh in the rising;



## **Background Reading**

### **Leviticus 13:1-13**

11 It is an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean, and shall not shut him up: for he is unclean.

12 And if a leprosy break out abroad in the skin, and the leprosy cover all the skin of him that hath the plague from his head even to his foot, wheresoever the priest looketh;

13 Then the priest shall consider: and, behold, if the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce him clean that hath the plague: it is all turned white: he is clean.



## **Background Reading**

#### 2 Kings 5:1-14

Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honourable, because by him the Lord had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, but he was a leper.

2 And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on Naaman's wife.

3 And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy.

4 And one went in, and told his lord, saying, Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel.



## **Background Reading**

#### 2 Kings 5:1-14

5 And the king of Syria said, Go to, go, and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel. And he departed, and took with him ten talents of silver, and six thousand pieces of gold, and ten changes of raiment.

6 And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, saying, Now when this letter is come unto thee, behold, I have therewith sent Naaman my servant to thee, that thou mayest recover him of his leprosy.

7 And it came to pass, when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes, and said, Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a quarrel against me.

8 And it was so, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.



# **Background Reading**

### 2 Kings 5:1-14

9 So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha.

10 And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean.

11 But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper.



# **Background Reading**

#### 2 Kings 5:1-14

12 Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage.

13 And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldest thou not have done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean?

14 Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.



### **Background Reading**

**Matthew 10:8** Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.

Mark 1:40-45 And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

41 And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean.

42 And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed.



## **Background Reading**

Mark 1:43 And he straitly charged him, and forthwith sent him away;

44 And saith unto him, See thou say nothing to any man: but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing those things which Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

45 But he went out, and began to publish it much, and to blaze abroad the matter, insomuch that Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was without in desert places: and they came to him from every quarter.

# **Devotional Reading**

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Luke 17:11-19

- 11 And it came to pass, as he went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee.
- 12 And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off:
- 13 And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.
- 14 And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed.

- 15 And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God,
- 16 And fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks: and he was a Samaritan.
- 17 And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?
- 18 There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger.
- 19 And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.



### **Central Verse**

**Luke 4:27** 

"And many Lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.



# INTRODUCTION

Jesus came to seek and to save those who are lost; He came to set the captives free, and He came to heal those who are sick and afflicted. "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth" (3 John 2). It is part of the reason He left His home in Glory to come and redeem mankind from the curse of the broken law. In the early days, before we had modern medicine, many sick people died of different illnesses and diseases that we now have cures for. Leprosy was a bad disease during those days, and there was no known cure for it.



# INTRODUCTION

Leprosy caused men and women to be separated from their families because they were classified as being unclean. But Jesus is the remedy for all kinds of dis-eases. Leviticus 13:9 says, "When the plague of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought unto the priest; and the priest shall see him: and, behold, if the rising be white in the skin, and it have turned the hair white, and there be quick raw flesh in the rising; it is an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh, and the priest shall pronounce him unclean, and shall not shut him up: for he is unclean."



# **DISCUSSION**

Matthew 4:23 tells the believers that "Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." He is the God of all flesh and there is nothing too hard for Him to do. Sometimes the Lord allows His children to get into situations that seem to be impossible to get out of. He allows sickness and diseases to come upon some of His people and they find out that the doctor has no known cure for them. That is the time they must know that King Jesus is a healer, and He is a doctor who has never lost a case. The late Bishop Gilbert E. Patterson used to say, "If you can have it; Jesus can heal it."



# **DISCUSSION**

Jesus came preaching about the kingdom of Heaven and He let the people of that day know that He could forgive their sins and heal their bodies. He provided healing for His people just as much as forgiveness through His finished work on the cross. God has not made it difficult to receive a simple faith that focuses on seeing Jesus and what He has already done for the believers. He positions the believers for the power of God that is enough to heal every kind of sickness and every kind of disease, including those for which there is no known cure. There were a lot of sick and impotent people who had lost all hope of ever being whole again. But when they heard and saw the miracles that Jesus was doing, they began to follow Him seeking to be healed. The blind, the cripple, the deaf, the dumb, and those who had leprosy came looking for Jesus so that they could be healed.



# **DISCUSSION**

Seeing the multitude of people getting healed gave hope to those who had lost hope. The people began to understand that God was a God who was no respecter of persons, for what He had done for others, He was willing to do for them. So, men and women who had all kinds of sickness and diseases began to come to Jesus and receive their healing. Jesus' fame began to spread all over the known regions and the people came looking for Him. Among those who came looking for Him in Luke 17:12-19 were ten men who were lepers, which stood afar away from the people. They knew that being unclean, they could not come close to the people, so they cried with loud voices, asking Jesus to have mercy on them. When Jesus saw them, He said unto them, "Go shew yourselves to the priests."



# **DISCUSSION**

As they obeyed Jesus and went, they recognized that they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back and, with aloud voice, glorified God. He fell on his face at His feet, giving thanks: even though he was a Samaritan. Jesus answered and said unto him, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger." Then Jesus said unto him, Arise, gothy way: thy faith hath made thee whole.



# **DISCUSSION**

Jesus told His disciples that as they went preaching the kingdom of heaven was at hand. They were to heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, and cast out devils: Freely you have received, freely give.



# **CONCLUSION**

The book of Luke reminded the people that there were many lepers in Israel during the time of Elijah, the prophet, but none of them got healed except Naaman the Syrian. It was common to see people who had leprosy in that day, but they were not healed like they were after Jesus came. God can heal any disease that a beliver has, but they must have faith in Jesus Christ.



# CONCLUSION

John the Baptist, the forerunner of Jesus, sent two of his disciples to Jesus and asked Him if He was the Messiah or did they need to look for another. At the time they arrived where Jesus was, Jesus had cured many people of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; the blind had received their sight. So, Jesus told them to go back and tell John the things they had seen and heard. He told them to tell John that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and to the poor, the gospel is preached.



# **CONCLUSION**

Jesus has power over all disease. Out of the multitudes that followed Jesus, a leper came and worshipped Him, saying Lord, if thou wilt, "Thou canst make me clean." And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. Jesus said to him, "Don't tell anybody, but go your way and show yourself to the priest and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them." (Matthew 8:2-4).



# **ESSENTIAL THOUGHT**

We serve a God who can heal anybody from anything.



# **NEXT LESSON**

July 29, 2025

Lesson 9

Walking In Wisdom