

Bible Story 252
Jesus Heals Ten Lepers
Luke 17:11-19

OPENING ACTIVITIES

- **Center Activities**
 - Give the children play dough, blocks, puzzles, etc.

WORSHIP

PRAYER

STORY

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- Introduce the story by acting out a scenario where one of the children has worked very hard to make gifts for ten of her friends. She passes out the gifts. Nine of the friends just take it, look at it, and walk away. The other friend is very excited and thanks her heartily. Ask the children how each response would make them feel
- Describe the disease of leprosy and tell the children what life was like in that culture for a person with leprosy
- **Act out the story**
 - Have a teacher/helper as Jesus and let ten of the children be the lepers

MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 107:1

“Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.”

- Practice verse by giving thanks
 - Tell the children to think of something they are thankful for
 - Ask one child what he is thankful for
 - After he names what he is thankful for, everyone says the verse
 - Continue, giving each child the opportunity to name something and saying the verse after each
 - Add variety by saying the verse with different voices, volumes, and speeds

ACTIVITIES

- **Application -- Begin a prayer project**
 - Give the children an opportunity to take note of God's answers to prayers and to give Him thanks
 - Make a list of prayer requests beginning this week and continuing for several weeks
 - As the prayers are answered, write them each on a strip of construction paper
 - Use the strips to form a chain that will hang on the ceiling around the classroom
 - When the chain gets all the way around the room, have a celebration thanking God for answering our prayers
 - If you want to begin the chain today, find out if God has answered any prayer requests you have recorded from past weeks. Or, if you don't have any prayer requests recorded, have the children think of prayers God has recently answered for them and use those
- **Color**
 - Color the picture with the memory verse on it
- **Craft**
 - God wants us to be thankful people. Give the children construction paper and markers and encourage them to make a thank you card for someone

MATERIALS

- Coloring paper with memory verse on it (Print the coloring page from <http://www.calvaryknoxville.org/NTTableOfContents.pdf> and cut and paste the memory verse onto the bottom)
- Crayons
- Costumes
- Center activities (blocks, play dough, puzzles)
- 10 small hand-made gifts
- Strips of construction paper to make a chain
- Paper clips to hang the chain from the ceiling
- Construction paper
- Markers