

JESUS & THE OUTSIDERS, OUTCASTS, & THE OUTLAWS--PART IV
SERMON TITLE: THE URGENCY OF THE JOURNEY
SERMON THEME: THE COMPASSION OF JESUS

LUKE DEDICATES 10 CHAPTERS TO THE FINAL JOURNEY OF JESUS MAKING HIS WAY TO JERUSALEM THAT WILL END IN HIS DEATH.

LUKE 9:51-53

- JESUS IS THINKING ABOUT HIS DEATH IN JERUSALEM AS HE TEACHES EACH DAY, WHICH GIVES YOU A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE IN SEEING THE STORIES THAT TAKE PLACE ON THE JOURNEY.

LUKE 10:1; 8-9

- IN THE ACT OF LIFTING UP THE LOWLY, YOU BECOME AN INSTRUMENT OF GOD'S LOVE.

LUKE 11:39-41

- JESUS SEES THOSE THAT OTHERS TREAT AS INVISIBLE OR HOPE TO IGNORE.

THREE LESSONS FROM A SAMARITAN LEPER
THAT HELP YOU TO BE THANKFUL.

I) THANKFULNESS IS TAKING UP AN ATTITUDE OF MERCY.

LUKE 17:11-13

- THEIR CRY FOR MERCY INDICATES THAT THEY HAD SOME KNOWLEDGE OF JESUS.

LEVITICUS 13:45-46

- THESE LEPERS WERE LITERALY OUTCASTS, AS SKIN DISEASE IN THE FIRST CENTURY FORCED PEOPLE TO LIVE AS OUTSIDERS.

II) THANKFULNESS IS TAKING ON AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE.

LUKE 17:14-16

- THE SAMARITAN LEPER SHOWS US HIS ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE IN THE WAY JESUS DEMONSTRATED HIS LOVE, GRACE, FRIENDSHIP AND MERCY IN LIFTING HIM UP.

PSALM 150:1-6

- PRAISING GOD IS REMEMBERING GOD'S FAITHFULNESS.

III) THANKFULNESS IS TAKING IN AN ATTITUDE OF FAITH.

LUKE 17: 17-19

- THIS LEPER SAW THE DIFFERENCE THAT JESUS MADE IN HIS LIFE, SO HE HAD TO GIVE HIM PRAISE.

I CHRONICLES 16:8

- THANKFULNESS IS AT THE HEART OF THE HUMAN RESPONSE TO GOD. IT IS A BASIC FORM OF PRAYER AND CENTRAL TO OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

THANKFULNESS AND GRATITUDE BOTH HAVE TO DO WITH FAITH.

ROMANS 1:21-23