



MWay Notes

A Life of Gratitude

KEY IDEA... Gratitude is the pathway to life.

Luke 17:11-19: A story illustrating a life of gratitude...

11 As Jesus continued on toward Jerusalem, he reached the border between Galilee and Samaria. 12 As he entered a village there, ten lepers stood at a distance, 13 crying out, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" 14 He looked at them and said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed of their leprosy. 15 One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back to Jesus, shouting, "Praise God!" 16 He fell to the ground at Jesus' feet, thanking him for what he had done. This man was a Samaritan. 17 Jesus asked, "Didn't I heal ten men? Where are the other nine?" 18 Has no one returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" 19 And Jesus said to the man, "Stand up and go. Your faith has healed you."

When the Samaritan came back to Jesus...

1. He shouted praise to God.
2. He fell at the feet of Jesus in worship.
3. He expressed gratitude for his healing.

The Samaritan shows us a model for a life of gratitude.

The "nine" show us a model of ingratitude.

Luke 17 is not just a story it's a parable.

It is a picture of us...

1. We are filled with ingratitude.

Destructive attitudes that fuel ingratitude...

- Never Enough Attitude
- I Deserve It Attitude
- It's All About Me Attitude

2. We are blind to the spiritual realities around us.

- Gratitude is the pathway to generosity.