

## The A.C.T.S. of Prayer - THANKSGIVING

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." <sup>14</sup> When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup> and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well." - Luke 17:11-19.

### **1. Where does Thanksgiving come from?**

- <sup>45</sup>The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks. - Luke 6:45
- <sup>8</sup>but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. - Romans 5:8
- <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup> But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. - 1 Timothy 1:14-16 -
- <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. - 2 Corinthians 5:21 says,
- <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace - 2 Timothy 1:9
- <sup>22</sup>The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness. - Lamentations 3:22-23
- <sup>6</sup>... God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble. - James 4:6
- <sup>6</sup>For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar. - Psalm 138:6
- <sup>21</sup>For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. - Romans 1:21

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2. What does Thanksgiving look like?

3. What does Thanksgiving express?

<sup>15</sup>call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me. - Psalm 50:15

<sup>12</sup> remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. - Ephesians 2:12-13

<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. - Ephesians 2:8-9