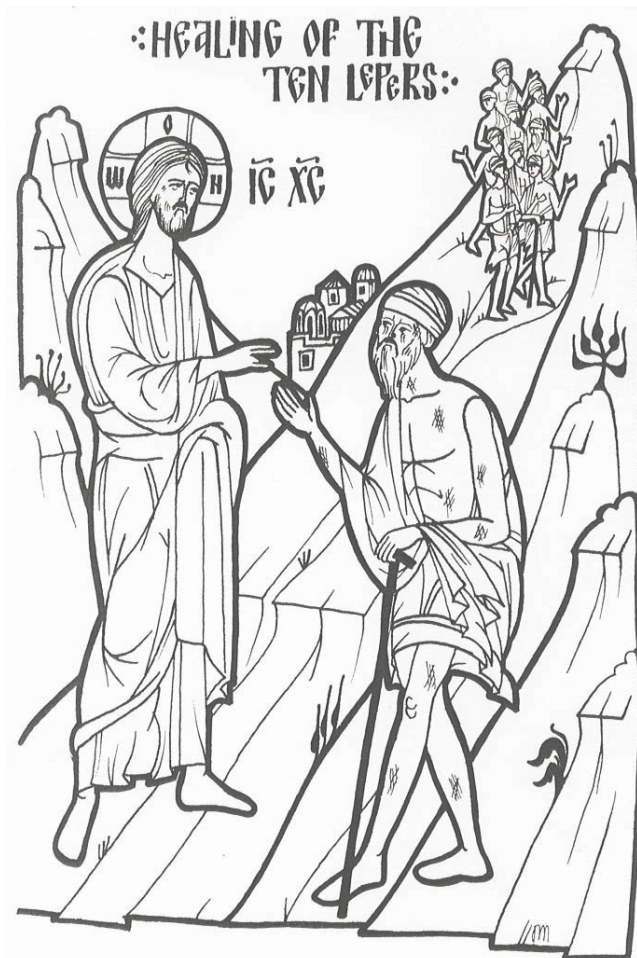


RETURNING THANKS TO GOD

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When Jesus saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed.

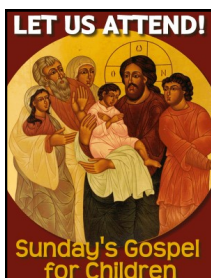
Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back praising God with a loud voice; and fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And Jesus said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."



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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. What do the lepers cry out to Jesus?
2. How many of them were healed?
3. What does this suggest about God's mercy?
4. How many return and praise God and thank Jesus?
5. What does this suggest about human beings?
6. What does this suggest about God?
7. Do you like the idea that God is merciful to all of us even if we don't recognize that he is being merciful? Why or why not?
8. How has God been merciful to you? How can you thank him?



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