

A THANKFUL FOREIGNER

Luke 17:11-19

11 Jesus went from Galilee [in northern Israel] to Jerusalem [in southern Israel]. He went along the border between Galilee and Samaria [a foreign area].

12 Jesus went into a small town – and ten men met Jesus. The men had leprosy [a contagious skin sickness]. The ten men stood far from Jesus [because they had leprosy].

13 The ten men called loudly to Jesus, "Jesus, help us!" 14 Jesus said to them, "Go to the priests. Show the priests that your skin is healed." So the ten men started to go – and their skin became healed!

15 One man looked – and his skin was healed. So he came back to Jesus. He loudly praised God. 16 He bowed down at Jesus' feet – and he thanked Jesus.

He was a Samaritan.

17 Jesus asked, "I healed ten men. Where are the nine men? 18 Why did nine [Jewish] men not come back? Why did nine men not praise God? Only this foreigner praised God.

19 Then Jesus said to the Samaritan, "You can go. Your faith saved you."

CONTENT QUESTIONS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What foreign area did Jesus go by? (verse 11)
- Who met Jesus near Samaria? (verse 12)
- How many men met Jesus? (verse 12)
- What was the men's problem? (verse 12)
- What did Jesus tell the men to do? (verse 14)

This was a safety rule in the Old Testament:

The 10 men had leprosy. Leprosy was dangerous for other people – like coronavirus was dangerous for other people. So the priests needed to check: Were the men safe to meet other people?

- What happened when the men were going to the priests? (verse 14)
- Who did not come back to thank Jesus? (verse 18)
 - What nationality were they? (verse 18)

Why did the nine men not thank Jesus? What do you think?

Who do you think should thank Creator God?

- Who came back to thank Jesus? (verse 16)
 - Why did he come back? (verses 15-16)

Japanese often thank people.

For example: "Thank you for the other day."

What do Japanese think about thanking people?
Is thanking people important?

- What nationality was the man who thanked Jesus? (verse 16)

Does Jesus only love Jews?

How does Jesus feel about other people?

How do you think Jesus feels about Japanese and Americans – and people from other countries?

- What questions did Jesus ask? (verses 17-18)
 - Who does Jesus think we should thank? (verse 18)

Creator God is very generous – God gives us everything to enjoy.

1 Timothy 6:17

Every good gift comes from God the Father.

James 1:17

- What very good news did Jesus say to the Samaritan foreigner? (verse 19)

What is faith?

What feelings do you have from this story?

thankful	ありがたい
foreigner	外国人
from	から
Galilee	ガリラヤ（イスラエルの北部）
northern	北部
Israel	イスラエル
Jerusalem	エルサレム（イスラエルの都、南王国ユダの都）
southern	南部
along	～沿い
border	境
between	の間、間
Samaria (In New Testament times, Samaria was the next door country to Israel – and they did not get along.)	サマリア、サマリヤ（新約聖書時代ではイスラエルの隣りの国。サマリア人とユダヤ人[イスラエル人] は仲が悪い。）
foreign	外国の
area	地方
small	小さい
town	町
meet - met - met	出会う、出迎う
leprosy	らい病、重い皮膚病
contagious	伝染（病）、伝染性
skin	皮膚
sickness	病気、病
stand - stood - stood	立つ、立った
far	遠く
because	～のため、～のせい、なぜなら
call	呼ぶ
loudly	大きい（声で）
help	助ける、助け
priest	祭司
show	見せる

heal	いやす
started to go	行き始める
become - <u>became</u> - become	なる、 <u>なった</u>
come back - came back - come back	戻って来る
praise	ほめたたえる、賛美する
bow	ひれ伏す、お辞儀する
feet	足
thank	感謝する
Samaritan (Samaritans and Jews did not get along)	サマリア人、サマリヤ人（～とユダヤ人 [イスラエル人] は仲が悪い）
where	どこ
why	なぜ、どうして
Jewish	ユダヤ系
only	だけ、のみ、ただ、ひとりの、ただ一人の、ただ一つの
then	そして、その場合、その時、そしたら、それなら
can - could	できる、してもいい
faith	信仰、信じること
save	救う

question	質問、問い
who	誰
safety	安全
rule	規則、掟
Old Testament	旧約聖書（イエス・キリスト以前の聖書の話）
dangerous	危ない、危険な
coronavirus	コロナウイルス
need	必要とする、しなければならない
check	確かめる、調べる
safe	安全な
happen	起こる
when	その時、という時に、いつ

nationality	国籍
should	すべき、起こるべき
Creator God	創造者、創造主、天地創造の神様
often	しばしば、たびたび
for example	例えば
about	について
important	大切、重要な、大事な、重大、優れる、えらい（人）
love	愛する、愛
feel	感じる
generous	惜しげもない、気の大きい、寛大
everything	すべて、全部
enjoy	楽しむ
every	あらゆる、すべての
gift	贈り物、賜物
God the Father	父なる神
news	便り、知らせ
story	話