

- Jesus loved this man; When He touched him, He said, "I will. Be clean."

- Bible says, "Leprosy departed from him." It was all gone!

- Jesus told the man, "Go, show yourself to the priest."

- When the priest saw him, there were no signs of leprosy; The priest announced him "clean!"

- How amazing!

MT, PAS – REMEMBER GOD HAS MADE YOU CLEAN IN HIS SIGHT (He has made you "clean" or forgiven from your sin. When He looks at you, He doesn't see your sin anymore) – **Hebrews 8:12 – "...Their sins...will I remember no more."**

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- Man must have been filled with so much joy!

- Didn't have to stay away from people! Could go home! Could go to Temple to worship God!

- All because Jesus made him "clean" from his leprosy and took it all away

- Do you know that Jesus can make you "clean" from your sin? He can take it all away.

INVITATION

Acts 10:43 – "...Whosoever believeth in Him (Jesus) shall receive remission (forgiveness) of sins."

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BOW HEADS RESPONSE

CHALLENGE

G – Go over MT

MT, PAS – REMEMBER GOD HAS MADE YOU CLEAN IN HIS SIGHT

R – Review PAS verse

Hebrews 8:12 – "...Their sins...will I remember no more."

O – Overview PAS examples

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W – Will you do it?

Life of Christ #16

Matthew 8:1-4; Mark 1:40-45;
Luke 5:12-19; Lev. 13:1-46

- Imagine you had to be quarantined because of COVID 19. Think about how sad it would be to have to stay away from everyone you love

- You can't see family and friends; You can't go anywhere

- But imagine that you never got better and had to be quarantined for the rest of your life!

- A man in our true story from Bible today knew what that would feel like

- He was going to have to leave home and might not ever be able to go back

- In the time this man lived, were 2 words that were very important to God's people, the Jews... "clean" and "unclean"

- God used these words to teach Jews difference between being holy (clean & without sin) and not holy (unclean & full of sin)

- God gave laws to His people, the Jews; If someone ate or touched something God called "unclean", person would be "unclean" for rest of day...

- But some things made people "unclean" for much longer

- Man in story knew all about that; Had terrible sickness called leprosy...

- Sickness that attacks a person's skin; Causes skin to be white and scaly and lose feeling; Sometimes person would lose fingers, toes, nose

- Everyone was afraid of it; Was no way to make it better!

- I want you to imagine what it must've been like for him

- I'm sure one day, man might have come home, looking sad. Wife asks, "What's wrong?"

- Man, "I have terrible news."

- Maybe stepped back, pointed to spot on his neck

- Wife, "No! It can't be!" She knew it was leprosy

- But there was only one way to know for sure...to go to the priest; If he said was leprosy, they knew what would happen.

- Man would have to leave home and live alone in village with other people who had leprosy

FLASHCARD 4-1

- Man probably thought, "This is the worst thing that could happen to me!"

- Knew if had leprosy, probably would never get better

- He would have to stay away from friends, family, and be considered “unclean” for the rest of his life!

- How terrible!

- Man went to the priest; Priest recognized it right away; Said, “Unclean! You are unclean!”

- Priest was doing what God’s law said to do; The Jewish people really tried hard to keep God’s law

- But there was something many of them didn’t realize...

- Every single one of them had a problem that made them “unclean” in God’s sight, a problem worse than leprosy!

- You and I have this same problem too. It’s called sin.

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Isaiah 64:4 – “But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags....”

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- Sin is very serious and makes us “unclean” in God’s sight

- Leprosy was very serious too

FLASHCARD 4-2

- How sad the man must’ve been after priest announced was “unclean” because of leprosy

- Wasn’t allowed to be around other people; Had to leave home, go live with others who had leprosy

- When people came near him, he had to shout, “Unclean!” Caused people to run away; Sometimes people probably even threw stones at him

- Had to wear rags, cover lower part of his face; So people would see from far away that he had leprosy and would know not to go near him

- Whenever people saw him, all they saw was someone who was “unclean.”

- Makes me think how sin makes us “unclean” in God’s sight

- But did you know that if you’ve believed on Jesus as your Saviour, that’s not the way God sees you anymore?

MT – REMEMBER GOD HAS MADE YOU CLEAN IN HIS SIGHT

- Must’ve been terrible that people only saw man as “unclean”

- Seemed like was no hope; Was nothing he could do to make himself “clean” from leprosy

- But one day he heard news that probably gave him some hope

- Heard a Person was in his country, teaching and doing miracles—made blind people see, lame people walk

- Man probably thought, “Could He make me clean? Could He heal me of this leprosy?”

- It seemed impossible; But it definitely wasn’t impossible for this Person...

- Because Person was Jesus! Nothing is too hard for Him!

- Jesus was the Only One Who could make this man “clean” from leprosy

- Jesus is the Only One Who can make you “clean” from your sin

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1 Cor. 15:3-4 – “...Christ died for our sins...He was buried, and...rose again the third day....”

- This is the only way sinners like you and me can be made “clean” in God’s sight

- Man with leprosy hoped that Jesus would heal him and make him “clean”

- One day, heard Jesus was in nearby city!

- Probably said to himself, “I need to get to Him! But how? I’m not allowed to go into the city with leprosy!”

- But wanted to get to Jesus so badly, went into the city anyway!

FLASHCARD 4-3

- I’m sure people screamed and ran to get away when saw him

- But One Person didn’t do any of that...Jesus

- Man fell down at Jesus’ feet, cried out, “Lord, If You will, You can make me ‘clean.’”

FLASHCARD 4-4

- Jesus reached out His hand and touched the man; He put His hand on this man who was considered “unclean!”

- Isn’t that amazing? No one else would’ve done that or even gone near this man

- But Jesus did...loved this man

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