LUKE 5:12-16

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καὶ έκτείνας τὴν χεῖρα ἤψατο αύτοῦ λέγων Θέλω, καθαρίσθητι· καὶ εύθέως ἡ λέπρα άπῆλθεν άπ' αύτοῦ.

LUKE 5: 12-16: BACKGROUND

¹² While he was in one of the cities, there came a man full of **leprosy**. And when he saw Jesus, he fell on his face and begged him, "Lord, if you will, you can make me clean." 13 And Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, "I will; be clean." And immediately the leprosy left him. 14 And he charged him to tell no one, but "go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as Moses commanded, for a proof to them." 15 But now even more the report about him went abroad, and great crowds gathered to hear him and to be healed of their infirmities. 16 But he would withdraw to desolate places and pray.

APPROACH IN THIS MESSAGE

- a. A quick background review of this story.
- b. What the Lord is doing in healing.
- c. How should we deal with healing?
- d. Healing is not just about healing of the body.

LUKE 5: 12-16: LEPROSY: LEVITICUS 14:1–32

- The first day, the man would need to show himself to the priest outside the Israelite camp, make a brush from cedarwood, scarlet yarn, and hyssop, kill one clean bird and drain the blood, dip the brush and a live bird in the blood, be sprinkled by the priest with the blood-covered brush seven times, let the live bird go, and shave all his hair and wash himself and his clothes in water.
- On the second day, he would live outside his home.
- On the seventh day, he would have to shave off all his hair from his head, his beard, and his eyebrows and wash his clothes and himself in water.
- Finally, on the eighth day, he would offer two male lambs, one ewe lamb, and a grain offering with oil, then be consecrated by the priest through some of the blood and oil.

THE LORD HEALS ANYONE HE WISHES TO HEAL

The Unknown Leper

• Sinners?

• Everyone?

HOW SHOULD WE DEAL WITH HEALING?

- a. Tradition and church practices
- b. We are the vessels of God's grace
- c. The matter of faith

Luke 5:17 Luke 10:25-37





Faith need not be your own

Matthew 8:5-9

5 When he had entered Capernaum, a <u>centurion</u> came forward to him, appealing to him, 6 "Lord, my <u>servant is lying paralyzed at home</u>, suffering terribly." 7 And he said to him, "I will come and heal him." 8 But the centurion replied, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. 9 For I too am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. And I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it.".....

13 And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; let it be done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.