A Man With Leprosy - Mark 1:40-45

Topics: Compassion, Disobedience, Faith, Healing, Sacrifice, Sickness

Open It

- * 1. What childhood memories do you have of a peer being ridiculed or rejected?
 - 2. Who are some of the "untouchables" in our society?
 - 3. What are some illnesses that people often fear getting?

Explore It

- * 4. What do the man's words to Jesus tell us about his attitude or spiritual condition? (1:40)
 - 5. What evidence do we see that the sick man in this story was desperate? (1:40)
- * 6. Why did Jesus heal the man who came to Him? (1:41)
 - 7. How did Jesus heal the leper in this story? (1:41)
 - 8. What do Jesus' specific actions in this episode tell us about His character? (1:41)
- * 9. What happened to the leper? (1:42)
 - 10. What specific instructions did Jesus give to the leper after He had healed him? (1:44)
 - 11. Why did Jesus want the leper to go to a priest? (1:44)
 - 12. Why did Jesus urge the leper to tell no one he was cured? (1:45)
 - 13. How did the leper respond to all that had happened to him? (1:45)
 - 14. What was the result of the leper's actions? (1:45)

Get It

- * 15. Who are the outcasts or untouchables in today's world?
- * 16. In what ways can Christians serve or help people who have great need?
 - 17. When has the Lord ever healed you either physically or emotionally?
 - 18. How have you responded to the Lord's healing in your life?
 - 19. How would you react if you saw another person miraculously healed by the Lord?
 - 20. Looking at the leper's example, what attitude do you think is crucial to receive healing from the Lord?
 - 21. Why do you think God sometimes heals people miraculously yet at other times chooses not to?
 - 22. What does this passage tell you about Christ and His attitude toward our pain and suffering?
 - 23. When have you ever done the opposite of what you knew Jesus would have wanted you to do?
 - 24. How can disobedience cost us?
 - 25. What is one area of your life in which you need physical, emotional, or spiritual healing from God?

Apply It

- * 26. To what person in your church or community could you reach out this week? How?
 - 27. What concrete action can you take this week to trust Jesus with your areas of need?