



“In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus”

1 Thessalonians 5: 18

SCRIPTURE of the DAY

2 Kings 5: 14-17
Psalm 97: 1-4
2 Timothy 2: 8-13
Luke 17: 11-19

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Sadly, just like the ability to trust in God, gratitude does not come naturally. In both the 1st Reading and the Gospel, the two characters who came back to give thanks to God were both foreigners—one of them a Syrian and the other, a Samaritan. Why did they come back? The explanation may be found in being an outcast. **Only when we are not entitled that we can better appreciate the graces that we have received.** When we are accustomed to blessings unasked or unsolicited, it is easy to forget that everything is grace. (Extract from Homilies of a Jesuit, 2022)

All 10 of the lepers were given the gift of healing, but in his gratitude to God for this gift, the Samaritan found salvation. Our salvation is found in recognizing the gifts we have been given and knowing to whom we must offer our thanks.

Having this attitude of gratitude is being aware that things can be worse. When we are grateful, we are confident that God has and will provide us with what we need as in today's Communion Antiphon, “The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.”

When we rely and depend on God and do not think that success is of our doing, what is required of us is to do our best and to leave the rest, especially things that are beyond our control, in God's hands.

Let us pray as in the prayer over the offering, “Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that, through these acts of devotedness, we may pass over to the glory of heaven.”✠

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A Faith That SAVES

Today we hear about how Jesus heals 10 lepers.

Ten people afflicted with leprosy cry out to Jesus. Struck with pity, Jesus heals all 10. Today, gratitude for salvation is paired with faith. Faith saves and salvation should lead to gratitude.

