

The Great Physician

“...the power of the Lord was with him to heal.”

Sermon Questions

1. The great attraction of today's Scripture is _____.
2. Leprosy in the Bible refers to a number of skin diseases and not just one. (Yes/No)
3. Lepers were ostracized from the community so they wouldn't infect others. (Yes/No)
4. What is one way in which the leper demonstrated his trust in Jesus? _____
5. What does this miracle tell us about Jesus? _____
6. When Jesus goes to pray, what three things does this teach us?
 - i. It teaches us the _____ of prayer;
 - ii. the _____ of prayer;
 - iii. and teaches us that prayer is _____ with God.
7. The scribes and Pharisees were likely in attendance to _____ Jesus.
8. Blasphemy is insulting, showing disrespect or irreverence toward God. (Yes/No)
9. What is easier to say, (a) your sins are forgiven, or (b) rise and walk? _____
10. These miracles demonstrate that...
 - i. Jesus' healings were _____ and undeniable.
 - ii. Jesus' healings evoked amazement.
 - iii. Jesus' healings were _____.
 - iv. Jesus' healings were done in response to _____.
 - v. Jesus' healings vindicate he possesses God's _____.
11. How will you respond to Jesus?

Discussion/Meditation Questions

1. Jesus did many miracles that could fill volumes of books. Why do you think these two were recorded between the calling of the disciples?

2. Both of these conditions (leprosy and paralysis) would have excluded these people from the religious customs of Israel. The outsiders were made insiders and the "insiders" found themselves outsiders. List other ways in which the "wisdom" of the world is turned upside down in God's true wisdom.

3. To which of the people in the story (the leper/paralytic, the crowd, the Pharisees) do you liken yourself to? Has this always been the case?

4. Why does Jesus always heal a person in a different way (touch, spit/mud, a spoken word, a prayer, etc)? Is there a parallel here to how different people are born again or no?