

Happy Thanksgiving

Sunday October 12, 2014

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation/ Responsive Reading (#564)

Musical Praise & Worship

Junior Church

Family Prayer

Scripture Reading..... Luke 17:11-19

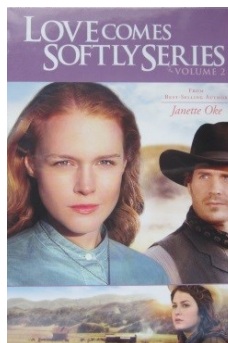
Message..... Pastor John Bellingham

ONE THANKFUL LEPER

Final Song

Benediction

New in the Rosedale Library:



'Love Comes Softly' Series– Three highly acclaimed films from best-selling author Janette Oke about one family's journey from heartbreak to triumph in the rugged heartland.

Families of the Week

Please remember to encourage and pray for the following families this week.

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| <u>Monday</u> | Arnold, Nelson & Heather
Grace, Michael, Elizabeth |
| <u>Tuesday</u> | Arthurs, Gary & Bonnie |
| <u>Wednesday</u> | Bertin, Jeanne |
| <u>Thursday</u> | Cerone, Richard & Carole
Jeremy, Tiffany, Jonathan |
| <u>Friday</u> | Christian, Marguerite |
| <u>Saturday</u> | Cimato, Dave & Stephanie
Malysa, Lauren, David |

ROSEDALE BAPTIST CHURCH



Reaching up....

Reaching in....

Reaching out...

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"I hold and believe that I am God's creature, that is, that He has given me and constantly sustains my body, soul, and life, my members great and small, all my senses, my reason and understanding, and the like; my food and drink, clothing, nourishment, spouse and children, servants, house and farm, etc.... Because everything we possess and everything in heaven and on earth besides, is daily given, sustained, and protected by God, it inevitably follows that we are duty bound to love, praise, and thank Him without ceasing, and in short to devote all of these things to His service."

- Martin Luther (Large Catechism- 1529)

This Week at Rosedale

Tuesday: Men's Study – 9:30 am

Wednesday: Prayer and Praise – 7:00 pm

Friday: Young Adults – 6:30 pm

Saturday: Men's Study – 8:00 am

Sunday: Christian Foundations – 9:00 am
Corporate Worship – 10:30 am

Thanksgiving Offering: For the next three weeks we are collecting a special Thanksgiving offering for the ministry of Gilbert and Laura Bekkatla (NCEM). Envelopes for this special offering are available in the pew.

Sandwich Sunday: Because of Thanksgiving, Sandwich Sunday will be happening next week immediately following the morning service.

Rosedale Anniversary: On November 9th we will celebrate 76 years of God's faithfulness! Please sign up for the luncheon following the service, indicating how many will attend and what you are able to bring. There is a list of items that are needed in the foyer.

Birthday Gift for Aileen John: If you would like to contribute toward a gift card for Aileen John, there is a basket in the Foyer. Aileen is in Missouri preparing for missionary service with NCEM.

Niagara Prayer Group: Please note that the prayer group will meet on October 25th.

Open Arms: This month we are collecting Canned Fruit for the mission.

One Thankful Leper

Luke 17:11-19

- Although all 4 Gospels tell about Jesus healing Lepers, this story about the healing of 10 lepers at once is unique to the Gospel of Luke
- This remarkable story of Jesus and the Lepers reminds us that gratitude is the proper response to grace

I. Their Condition

- 1) Leprosy
 - a. A terrible disease which was very common during Jesus day (Luke 4:27)
 - b. A stark picture of sin and its terrible consequences in our lives
 - i. Like an infectious disease the sin nature has passed from one man (Adam) to all men
 - ii. Sin disfigures and defiles
 - iii. Sin isolates us from God and others
 - iv. Sin effectively renders us spiritually 'dead' even as we continue to live

Application

We are all born into this world as spiritual 'lepers' – note that the condition of leprosy unites Jews and Samaritans into one common band

II. Their Cry

- 1) They knew that they were helpless
- 2) They knew that Jesus had power to heal
- 3) They cry out for divine mercy

Application:

- Christ came into this world to help people who are unable to help themselves

III. Their Cleansing

- 1) Jesus tests their faith
 - a. The Law says to go to the priest after the healing has taken place, but Jesus instructs them to go to the Temple before the healing has happened!
 - b. Naaman's faith was tested in a similar way by Elisha (2 Kings 5)
- 2) All 10 lepers exhibit a measure of faith
- 3) All 10 lepers are cleansed of their physical disease as a gift of God's grace

Application:

- God's grace has been lavished on all people to some degree (called 'common grace') so that we all experience the goodness and kindness of God in our lives

IV. The Conclusion

- 1) 9 Jewish lepers continue on their way to worship in the Jerusalem Temple
 - a. The physical leprosy was gone but the spiritual leprosy remained
 - b. As Jews who knew about the coming Messianic age, these men should have known better
- 2) 1 Samaritan leper turned back to worship at the true Temple and to express his gratitude

Application:

- Superficial faith values the gifts and forgets about the Giver
- Saving faith worships the Giver and receives His gifts with a heart full of gratitude