

# ABCJLM Sunday School Curriculum Example

## Thanksgiving: 10 Lepers



Scripture: Luke 17:11-19

Memory Verse: Psalm 118:1a  
Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

Tune: *She'll Be Comin' 'Round the Mountain*  
Give- thanks to the Lord for He is good. *Clap, clap.*  
Give- thanks to the Lord for He is good. *Clap, Clap.*  
Give- thanks to the Lord--.  
Give- thanks to the Lord--.  
Give- thanks to the Lord for He is good. *Clap, clap.*

Song: Thank You, Lord *Traditional*

Thank You, Lord, for saving my soul  
Thank You, Lord, for making me whole  
Thank You, Lord, for giving to me  
Thy great salvation so rich and free

Comprehension Questions:

How many men did Jesus heal?  
How many men thanked Jesus?  
How do you think Jesus felt about the men who didn't say "thank you"?  
Is there someone to whom you need to say "thank you"?  
How can you thank Jesus today?

Snack Options:

Choose any desired snack, but use snack time to help children practice saying "thank you" for the snack and drink.

Objective:

Jesus wants me to be thankful.

Activity and Craft Supplies:

Yarn



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## Thanksgiving: Activities



### Activity:

**Thank You, God:** Allow each child to take a turn telling about something she is thankful for. After each person says their remembrance, together say, "Thank you, and Praise God."

**Memory Verse Maze:** Create a maze through the classroom with yarn. Add zigzag and wavy lines. Along the maze at different intervals, tie three bows on the yarn. Have each child walk along the yarn and stop every time he comes to a bow. Have him repeat the memory verse at each bow.

### Poem:

#### **Tell Jesus Thank You**

10 men had itchy skin (10 fingers)

They were all so blue (index fingers pull down at corners of mouth to make sad face, explain blue means sad)

Jesus healed all 10 men (10 fingers, happy face)

But only one said, "Thank you." (1 finger, sad face)

Today I remember (point to forehead)

Jesus made me new (point up)

I will be like that man (point to self)

And tell Jesus "Thank you!" (point up)



### Song:

#### **If You're Thankful (Happy) and You Know It** *Traditional*

If you're thankful and you know it clap your hands (clap, clap) (Repeat 2x)

If you're thankful and you know it then your life will really show it

If you're thankful and you know it clap your hands (clap, clap)

Optional verse:

...stomp your feet...

...say amen...

...do all three...

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### Additional Ideas:

- ABCJLM Ideas: [ABCJesusLovesMe.com/ideas/10-lepers](http://ABCJesusLovesMe.com/ideas/10-lepers), [ABCJesusLovesMe.com/ideas/thanksgiving](http://ABCJesusLovesMe.com/ideas/thanksgiving)
- Thanksgiving Tree - For the month of November, create a Thanksgiving Tree on a wall, door, or bulletin board. Cut leaves to add to the tree. Each class time, encourage the student to say (you write for them) or write one thing that they are thankful for and add it to the tree. You could also provide the printable for each family to do at home. Link to printable - [ABCJesusLovesMe.com/media/Thanksgiving\\_Tree.pdf](http://ABCJesusLovesMe.com/media/Thanksgiving_Tree.pdf)

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## Thanksgiving: Bible Time



### Supplies:

- Bible
- Happy and Sad Puppet

### Flannelgraph:

- Water/Sky Board with Land, S4, S7
- Jesus - 3

- Thankful Man - 21
- 10 Lepers - 87, 89B

*Before Bible time, draw a happy face on a small paper plate. Draw a sad face on second plate. Tape the two together and attach to a large craft stick. Show the happy face puppet whenever "happy" is stated in the story and the sad face whenever "sad" is mentioned.*

The story that I am going to tell you is sad. Show *sad puppet*. Then it is happy. *Happy puppet*. Then it is sad again. But then it is very, very happy. Let's read this sad-happy story from the New Testament book of Luke, chapter 17.

As Jesus entered a village, He saw 10 men in the distance. These men were very sick. They had a disease called leprosy. Leprosy made their skin very itchy. Scratch your skin. How sad! The 10 men knew that Jesus could heal them so they cried out, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." The 10 men - show me 10 fingers - were asking Jesus to heal them.

Jesus looked at the men and said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." A priest is like a pastor. It seems like a weird command but the 10 men obeyed Jesus. The 10 men went to the priest and they were healed of leprosy. Suddenly, they were no longer itchy. How happy the 10 men were! *Happy puppet. Remove 10 men.*

When one of the men saw that Jesus had healed him, the 1 man - show me one finger - went back to Jesus, shouting, "Praise God." The one man fell to the ground at Jesus' feet and thanked Jesus for healing him. This man was so happy.

But Jesus was sad. Jesus said, "Didn't I heal 10 men? Only one person came back and thanked me. Where are the other nine? Why haven't they come back to thank me and give God glory for healing them?" How sad! Jesus said to the man, "Stand up and go. Because you believe in me, your faith has healed you." The man was so happy.

Raise your hand and tell me what holiday is coming soon. Thanksgiving is a wonderful time to remind us to be thankful. Jesus wants us to be thankful just like the one healed leper. He wants us to be happy about all that God has given us.

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