

Jesus Can Make You Clean

Luke 5:12-16

Luke 5:12 (ESV)

While He was in one of the cities, there came a man full of leprosy. And when he saw Jesus, he fell on his face and begged Him, "Lord, if You will, You can make me clean."

Luke 5:13 (ESV)

And Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him, saying, "I will; be clean." And immediately the leprosy left him.

Luke 5:14 (ESV)

And He charged him to tell no one, but "go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as Moses commanded, for a proof to them."

Luke 5:15 (ESV)

But now even more the report about Him went abroad, and great crowds gathered to hear Him and to be healed of their infirmities.

Luke 5:16 (ESV)

But He would withdraw to desolate places and pray.

1. Internal problems demand internal solutions.

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While He was in one of the cities, there came a man full of leprosy ...

Leviticus 13:2 (ESV)

"When a person has on the skin of his body a swelling or an eruption or a spot, and it turns into a case of leprous disease on the skin of his body, then he shall be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons the priests,

Leviticus 13:3 (ESV)

and the priest shall examine the diseased area on the skin of his body. And if the hair in the diseased area has turned white and the disease appears to be deeper than the skin of his body, it is a case of leprous disease. When the priest has examined him, he shall pronounce him unclean.

Leviticus 13:8 (ESV)

And the priest shall look, and if the eruption has spread in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean; it is a leprous disease.

Leviticus 13:46 (ESV)

He shall remain unclean as long as he has the disease. He is unclean. He shall live alone. His dwelling shall be outside the camp.

2. Your problem is never too great for Jesus.

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... And when he saw Jesus, he fell on his face and begged Him, "Lord, if You will, You can make me clean."

3. Jesus cares about your deepest problems.

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And Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him, saying, "I will; be clean." And immediately the leprosy left him.

Hebrews 7:25 (ESV)

Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

2 Peter 3:9 (ESV)

The Lord is not slow to fulfill His promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

1 Timothy 2:4 (ESV)

who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

2 Corinthians 6:2 (ESV)

For He says, "In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

4. Your problem is only really solved when God says it is.

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And He charged him to tell no one, but "go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as Moses commanded, for a proof to them."

1 John 1:8 (ESV)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

1 John 1:9 (ESV)

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.