

# GRATITUDE

## **ICEBREAKER**

What is your favorite Thanksgiving food?

## **CONTEXT**

Our passage today highlights the importance of the family of God, forgiving others as we have been forgiven, and realizing that our lives are not our own.

## **PASSAGE**

Luke 17:1-19

## **DISCUSS**

- Why is forgiveness important in our relationships with others?
- What does it mean to belong to a master who bought us?
- What can we learn from the story of Jesus healing the ten lepers in Luke 17:11-19?
- How can you practice being more thankful and praising God in your own life?
- We often hear of the exclusivity of the Christian faith, but how does the story of the Samaritan leper speak to the inclusivity of Christianity? How should this affect our understanding of gratitude?
- How can we maintain gratitude in the face of hardships and challenges?
- Are there specific challenges you're facing right now that make it difficult to be grateful? How can you change your perspective to focus on God's provision?

## **How will you apply this to your life?**

- Can you think of a time when you struggled to forgive someone? How did that impact your relationship?
- How can you remind yourself of the reality that you belong to Jesus in your everyday life and focus on serving God rather than yourself?
- How can you put the love of God on display through gratitude this week?

## **How will you pass it on to someone?**

- If someone asked you to explain why Luke 17:1-19 is in the Bible, what would you tell them? Why?
- How will you incorporate what you've learned into your interactions with others?

## **TAKE TIME TO PRAY**

- Pray for the strength and courage to practice forgiveness in the spirit of love towards others, even in the face of temptations and challenges.
- Pray for a deeper understanding and humility in recognizing that we belong to a Master who has graciously saved us and provided for us despite our unworthiness.
- Pray for a heart like the Samaritan leper's, filled with gratitude and praise for the cleansing and salvation offered through Jesus. Ask for the strength to express this gratitude, even amidst trials and hardships.

