



Sunday Sept 23rd 2018

Harvest:

Thankfulness

Luke 17v7-19

● **Entitled?**

● **God provides**

● **Thanks (Psalm 136)**

- **The value of thankfulness**

- **In contrast**

- **What are you owed? (Luke 17v7-10)**

- **Seeing clearly from a right heart (Luke 17v11-19)**

- **The harsh reality**

- **A heart of thankfulness**

Conversation starter

'Maybe we should say thank you less, but mean thank you more' Do you agree?

Growth group questions



You will find it helpful to have heard the talk so why not listen at <http://leightonbaptists.org.uk/media-links/current-teaching/>

Some of these questions are personal and others are more general. Feel free to pick and choose which questions your group will find most helpful.

1. Think about the contrast between being thankful and feeling entitled. Where do we see this 'entitlement' in our world today? Do you think it is prevalent now than in previous generations? Why/why not?
2. Look at Ephesians 5:4, 5:19, and Philippians 4:6. With what is thanksgiving contrasted in these passages? Why? Can you find any other similar contrasts with thanksgiving?
3. Read Luke 17:7-10 again. What underlying attitude is these verses challenging. Do you find these verses hard or easy?
4. Read Luke 17:11-19. What do we see of Jesus' attitude towards the lepers. What does this simple story show us about mankind's attitude to God?
5. Why should the lepers thank Jesus (compare with v9)-10?
6. What are you most thankful for at this moment. Why are these things you should praise God for? Do you?
7. Where is your own attitude one of entitlement?
8. *'All God's gifts are meant to lead us to the Person who is his supreme gift to men.'* Ask God to help us to be wholeheartedly thankful for all his gifts to us.