

**Jesus is Willing**  
**Luke 5:12-16 December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

Among the Jews, several skin diseases were classified as leprosy, including our modern Hansen’s disease. In spite of modern medical advances, an estimated \_\_\_\_\_ people around the world today have leprosy.

Not only was leprosy a physical disease, it also made the leper as well as anyone who touched him ceremonially \_\_\_\_\_ (Lev. 13:45–46; Num. 5:2–4)

The scriptures don’t promise that God will solve all your problems and heal all your sickness in this life. But the scriptures do promise that \_\_\_\_\_ who come to Jesus for “cleansing” from \_\_\_\_\_ will be cleansed!

3 comparisons between leprosy and sin

1. Like sin, leprosy is deeper than the skin (Lev. 13:3) and cannot be helped by mere “\_\_\_\_\_” measures (see Jer. 6:14).
2. Like sin, leprosy \_\_\_\_\_ (Lev. 13:7, 8), and as it spreads, it \_\_\_\_\_ (Lev. 13:44, 45). Because of his defilement, a leprous person had to be isolated outside the camp (Lev. 13:46), and lost sinners one day will be isolated in hell.
3. People with leprosy were looked on as “\_\_\_\_\_” (Num. 12:12), and garments infected with leprosy were fit only for the fire (Lev. 13:52). How important it is for lost sinners to trust Jesus Christ and get rid of their “leprosy”!

Jesus sought to avoid drawing excessive attention to His healing ministry. He wanted people to seek Him for \_\_\_\_\_ healing, not merely physical healing.

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**Growth Group Discussion Questions**

(Complete at home on separate sheet of paper if needed)

- 1.) What are some situations today that make people feel hopeless, rejected or broken?
- 2.) Have you or somebody you have known ever felt broken and unfixable? How do you show a person like that hope?
- 3.) Read Sunday’s text: Luke 5:12-16. What are some important things you learn in this text about Jesus Christ?
- 4.) Look up the definition of leprosy and then look up following verses and discuss how leprosy is like sin: (Numbers 5:1–4 & Luke 5:12-13; John 17:3; 1John 1:8-2:2) If time permits see the three comparisons between sin and leprosy on the front page of this document.
- 5.) What are some other striking things that stand out to you about this story? What are some of the most important biblical truths found in this text that you personally need to remember, embrace and practice? What must change in your life as a result of this study? Be specific!
- 6.) Do you have any final questions or comments about today’s text? Take some time to take prayer requests and pray for one another.