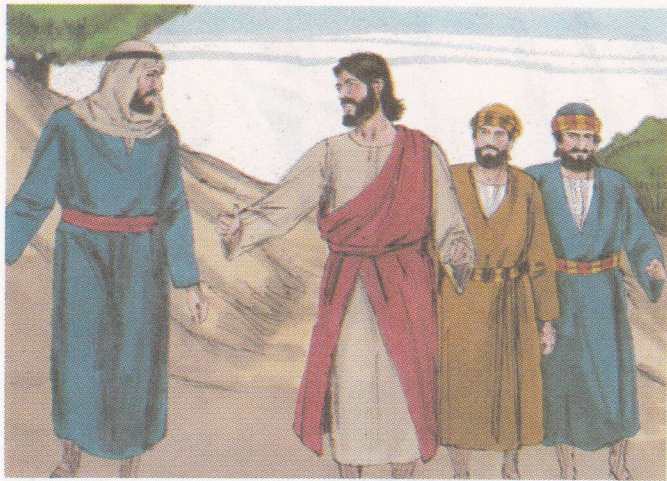
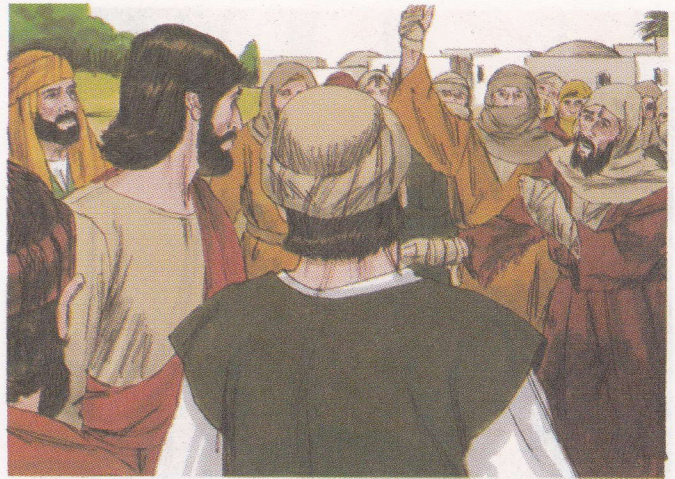


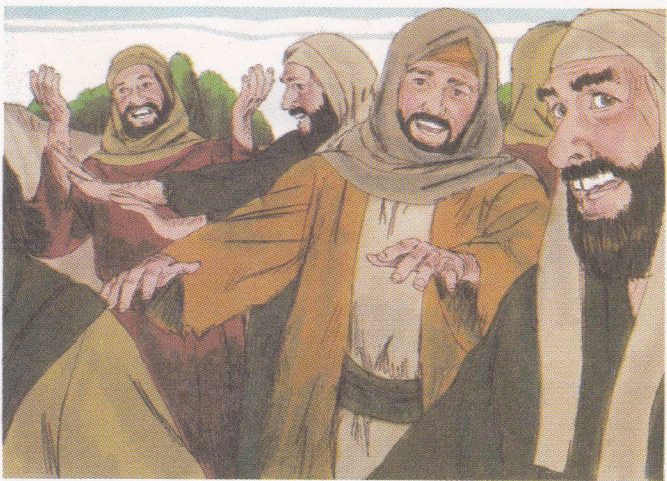
# The Ten Lepers



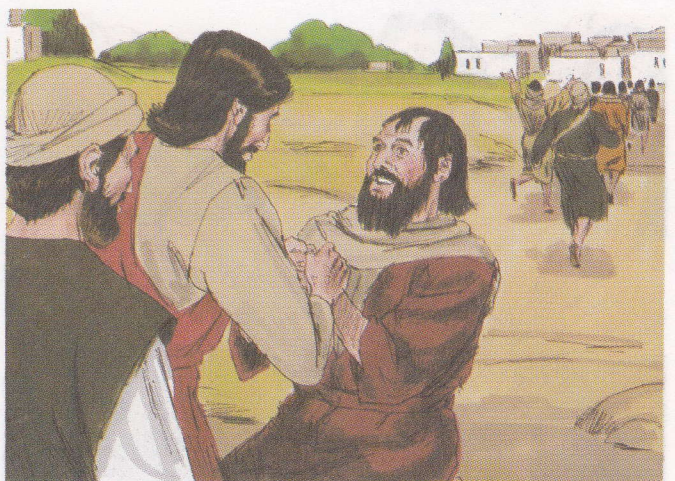
**1** On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus and the disciples were passing between Galilee and Samaria.



**2** As they entered a village, they were met by ten lepers. The lepers stood at a distance and called with a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"



**3** Jesus said to the lepers, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." So the lepers started off, and as they went along they were healed!



**4** One of them, when he saw that he had been healed, turned around and went back, praising God with a loud voice. He fell at Jesus' feet and thanked him. This man was a Samaritan.



**5** Jesus said, "Were there not ten lepers who were healed? Where are the other nine? Was there none but this foreigner who returned to give thanks to God?"

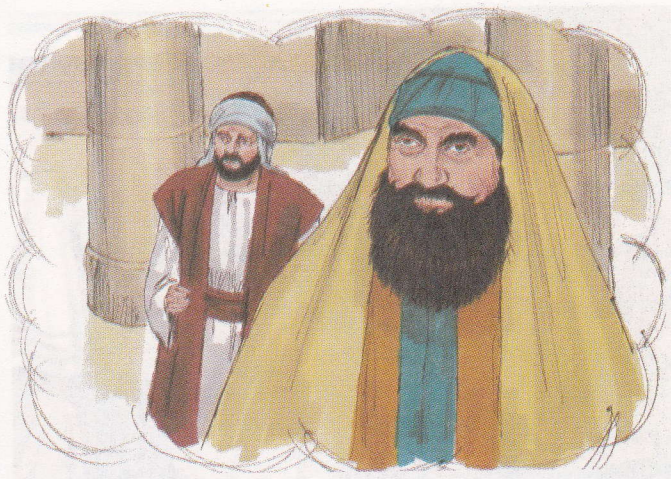


**6** Then Jesus said to the Samaritan who had been healed, "Get up and be on your way. Your faith has made you well."





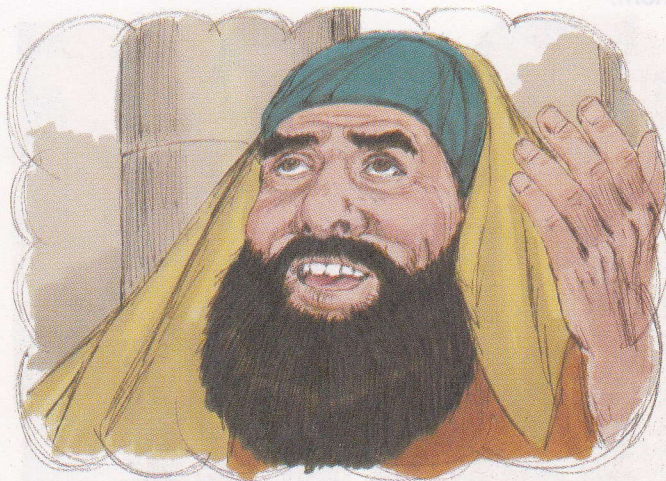
**7** On another occasion, Jesus told this parable to some people who thought themselves to be very good and who looked down on other people.



**8** "Two men went up to the temple to pray. One was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector."



**9** "The Pharisee stood and prayed like this: 'God, I thank thee that I am not like other men, who steal and do what is wrong—even like this tax collector.'"



**10** "'I fast two times every week and I give back to you a tenth of everything I get.'"



**11** "But the tax collector would not even lift up his eyes to heaven. He beat himself on the chest and said, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner.'"



**12** Jesus said, "I tell you it was the tax collector, not the Pharisee, who went home forgiven. Whoever tries to make himself great will be humbled, but the humble will be exalted."