

The Ten Lepers
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Cast:

Villagers (variable number, 7 have lines)
10 Lepers (3 have lines)
Jesus

Costumes:

Simple Bible costumes.

(Villagers are gathered on stage.)

Villager 1: Have you heard about Jesus?

Villager 2: Of course I have heard about Jesus. Who hasn't heard about Jesus!? Everyone is talking about Him!

Villager 3: He can make blind people see!

Villager 4: He can make deaf people hear!

Villager 5: He can make lame people walk!

(Lepers begin to walk toward the stage.)

Villager 6: Look! Here come those lepers again.

Villager 1: Yuck. And one of them is even a Samaritan.

Villager 2: Ugh. I can't stand Samaritans.

All Villagers: Go away! Go away! Go away!

(Lepers start to turn away. Jesus begins to walk toward stage.)

Villager 3: Look! Jesus is coming!

Leper 1: Jesus is coming? I know Jesus can make us well.

Leper 2: Jesus! Master! Have mercy on us!

All Lepers: Jesus! Master! Have mercy on us!

(Jesus joins the villagers on the stage.)

Villager 7: Don't pay any attention to them, Jesus. They're just lepers.

All Lepers: Jesus! Master! Have mercy on us!

(Jesus walks over to the lepers.)

Jesus: Go show yourself to the priest.

Villager 4 (*gasps*): He talked to the lepers!

(Lepers begin to exit, but stop when Leper 2 speaks.)

Leper 2: Wait! Look! The leprosy is gone!

(Lepers look at their hands and arms and are amazed.)

Leper 3: He healed us!

All Lepers: Woo-hoo! We are healed!

Leper 2: Come on!

(Lepers start to exit. Leper 1 turns back toward the stage.)

Leper 3: Where are you going?

Leper 1: I have to tell Jesus something.

Leper 2: Whatever, man. We'll see you later.

(Lepers exit as Leper 1 returns to Jesus.)

Leper 1: Praise the Lord! Jesus, I had to come back and say thank you. Thank you!

(Leper 1 bows down in front of Jesus.)

Jesus: Didn't I heal ten people? Where are the other nine? Is this Samaritan the only one who wanted to say thank you? Stand up and go. Your faith has made you well.

Leper 1: Thank you, Jesus!

(Leper 1 jumps up and exits. Jesus exits.)

Villager 1: I guess we were wrong. I guess He does care about lepers, too.

Villager 2: He can even make them well!

Villager 3: I think Jesus wants us to learn that He loves everyone just the same.

Villager 5: I think He also wants us to learn to be thankful.

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