

PECULIAR TREASURES LESSON – 2nd AUGUST 2020

ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE I

TEXT Luke 17:11-19

MEMORY VERSE Luke 17:17 “Jesus asked, ‘Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?’” OR
Luke 17:17b “Where are the other nine?”

STORY – GRATEFUL

There was a family of five who lived in a nice house somewhere in the state capital. The name of the family was Chukwuma. There was Engr. Chukwuma an engineer, Mrs Chukwuma, a nurse, and three children: Akuchi, Adaeze, and Chibuike. Each of the children had their own rooms while Engr. and Mrs Chukwuma shared the big room with the big bed.

During one long holiday the children went to one of their uncle’s place for a week. They were so excited that they were going that they did not tidy their rooms before they left. Mrs Chukwuma, decided to help them tidy up since normally they did try to keep their rooms clean.

A week later Engr. Chukwuma went to his brother’s place to pick the children up. All the children had stories to tell of the wonderful time they had spent with their uncle and aunt and their cousins. After some time Mrs Chukwuma told the children to get ready for supper. Not long after they had left, Chibuike returned to the sitting room looking for his mother. He met only his father there, so he went to the dining room.

“Mummy, thank you,” Chibuike said as he gave his mum a hug.

“Why are you thanking me?” Mrs Chukwuma asked.

“You tidied up my room for me.” Chibuike replied.

Mrs Chukwuma smiled and gave Chibuike a peck on his forehead. Chibuike returned to his room and some minutes later returned to the dining room. His siblings also came out at about the same time.

Supper was a pleasant affair. As much as possible, Engr. Chukwuma tried to make sure he was always around for the last meal of the day. After they had finished eating, Engr. Chukwuma told his children that he had a story for them. He told them the story of the ten lepers that Jesus healed.

When he finished telling the story, Engr. Chukwuma asked his children why they thought he told them that particular story. No one knew the answer why. He then asked how many of them liked the way their rooms were when they returned home. All three of them raised their hands. He then asked how many of them said thank you to their mother. Only Chibuike’s hand went up. Engr. Chukwuma then likened Akuchi’s and Adaeze’s action to that of the lepers who were happy that they had been cleaned of their leprosy but who did not remember to go back to Jesus to say ‘Thank you’.

Akuchi and Adaeze apologized to their mother and then they appreciated her. It was a happy family that went to bed that night.

QUESTIONS

1. How many children are there in the Chukwuma family?
2. What is the father's profession? How about the mother's?
3. Where did the children go for a week?
4. What did Mrs Chukwuma do for her children while they were away?
5. What did Chibuiké do when he saw how his room looked?
6. Who was likened to the lepers who did not go back to thank Jesus?
7. When someone does something nice for you, what are you supposed to do?

CONFESSION

I am a child of God. I say 'Please' and 'Thank you'. I have an attitude of gratitude. I don't complain. I don't grumble. I let people know that I am happy with what they do for me.

ACTIVITIES

1. *With younger children* This week, anytime your child says 'thank you' without much prompting, give him a point. When he/she gets five points, he/she gets a gift such as a lollipop, a drink, a ride on Daddy's back, etc. The child should remember to say thank you for the gift as well.
2. *With older children* Let the older children record various times when they say 'Thank you' to people this week and what they say thank you for. They should record how they felt when they said thank you and how they felt when people said 'thank you' to them. After about three or four days, have a brief discussion about their findings.

WORKSHEETS (OPTIONAL)

Younger children

Colour the 'Thank you'.

Older children

Word Search

ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE I - JUNIOR

Name _____ Date _____

Colour the 'Thank You'.

THANK YOU

ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE I - SENIOR

Name _____ Date _____

Find the following words in the grid. They can be in any directions. They are thank you in various languages.

Thank you Ese Merci Dialo Nagode Gracias Domo arigato Danke

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