

The Pass-The-Plate Devos

“FAMILIES PASSING ON THEIR FAITH AS THEY PASS THEIR PLATES DURING THE SIXTH WEEK OF EPIPHANY”



BIBLE FOCUS: MARK 1:40-45

A MAN WITH LEPROSY CAME TO HIM AND BEGGED HIM ON HIS KNEES, "IF YOU ARE WILLING, YOU CAN MAKE ME CLEAN. FILLED WITH COMPASSION, JESUS REACHED OUT HIS HAND AND TOUCHED THE MAN. "I AM WILLING," HE SAID. "BE CLEAN!" IMMEDIATELY THE LEPROSY LEFT HIM AND HE WAS CURED.

JESUS SENT HIM AWAY AT ONCE WITH A STRONG WARNING: "SEE THAT YOU DON'T TELL THIS TO ANYONE. BUT GO, SHOW YOURSELF TO THE PRIEST AND OFFER THE SACRIFICES THAT MOSES COMMANDED FOR YOUR CLEANSING, AS A TESTIMONY TO THEM." INSTEAD HE WENT OUT AND BEGAN TO TALK FREELY, SPREADING THE NEWS. AS A RESULT, JESUS COULD NO LONGER ENTER A TOWN OPENLY BUT STAYED OUTSIDE IN LONELY PLACES. YET THE PEOPLE STILL CAME TO HIM FROM EVERYWHERE.

THE WORD OF THE LORD! THANKS BE TO GOD!

Share your **HIGHS**



and **LOWS!**



WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN STRUGGLING WITH LATELY? WHAT SICKNESS, WORRY, OR SIN IS LIKE A HEAVY CHAIN WRAPPED AROUND YOU? WRITE THIS STRUGGLE DOWN ON A PIECE OF TOILET PAPER.



- 1. WHAT DO YOU THINK THE MAN WITH LEPROSY LOOKED LIKE?**
- 2. WHAT DID THE MAN WITH LEPROSY SAY TO JESUS? HOW WAS HE STANDING WHEN HE ASKED THIS QUESTION?**
- 3. WHAT HAPPENED WHEN JESUS TOUCHED THE MAN WITH LEPROSY?**
- 4. WHAT DID JESUS SAY AS HE WARNED THE MAN? WHAT DID THE MAN DO INSTEAD?**
- 5. WHY DID JESUS HAVE TO STAY OUTSIDE THE TOWNS BY HIMSELF?**



FAMILY CHALLENGE



Remember that no matter what hurts us or what we are struggling with, God is not against us, he is FOR US. Have each member of the family flush his or her worry down the toilet. This is a hands-on way we can give out worries and our cares and concerns to God. God works through water and through his word, and he promises to hear you and to care for you. Close together in prayer.