# Welcome to Bible Study 9 October 2022 "WHO ARE YOU?"

## Welcome everyone to the Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

### Opening Prayer Please pray together

Gracious and Steadfast God, we pray this day for those who are sick and in need of your care, for those who are in hospital, for those undergoing treatment for all illnesses ailments, for those who cry out to you for their healing. We pray especially for those we lift up to you in our private prayers Healing God, help us care for one another, Amen.

#### Q 1 Have you ever found out where your ancestors are from? Did you discover anything amazing? Please discuss your heritage.

#### Worship suggestions 🎜

Amazing Grace As the deer pants for the water Blessed assurance

#### Word; Psalm 111

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD.

I will extol the LORD with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly.

<sup>2</sup>Great are the works of the LORD; they are pondered by all who delight in them.

<sup>3</sup>Glorious and majestic are his deeds, and his righteousness endures forever.

<sup>4</sup>He has caused his wonders to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and compassionate.

<sup>5</sup>He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.

<sup>6</sup>He has shown his people the power of his works, giving them the lands of other nations. <sup>7</sup>The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.

<sup>8</sup> They are established for ever and ever, enacted in faithfulness and uprightness.

<sup>9</sup>He provided redemption for his people; he ordained his covenant forever holy and awesome is his name.

<sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

#### Word: Luke 17.11-19 Jesus Heals Ten Men With Leprosy

<sup>11</sup>Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup>As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

<sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed.

<sup>15</sup> One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.

<sup>17</sup> Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup> Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?"

<sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

Q 2 Being a person with leprosy you had to ring a bell to let people know you were coming. Jesus knew the pain they lived with and heals them.

Can you just imagine their joy. Discuss their pain and also their healing.

Q 3 Despite these men being healed, only one returns to Jesus to give thanks.

He wasn't even Jewish but a Samaritan who were despised by the Jews.

Why do you think the other 9 didn't come back to give thanks?

Q 4 The healed man teaches us the importance of what really matters. His faith and gratitude made him well. Jesus commends his faith.

Please discuss the importance of this man's faith and gratitude. Tell about what really matters.

#### Works

How can we reach out to others this week in our community, our lepers today are given labels - Addicts, Homeless, broken peoples, mental illness ...

### Ending prayer Please pray together

Praise be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Praise be to the One who knits us together as a community of faith.

Open our eyes, Lord, that we may see the many ways that you have blessed us.

Open our ears, Lord, that we may hear your word and proclaim it in such a way that we become a blessing to others.

Open our hearts, Lord, that we might feel your presence within this day.

#### Shalom

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