

Developing Lasting Joy

Luke 17:11-19

"Since we have a kingdom nothing can destroy, let us please God by serving him with thankful hearts with holy fear and awe." Hebrews 12:28 (LB)

_____ is the key to developing joy.

Contentment and gratitude are about our _____ more than our _____.

Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee.¹² As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance¹³ and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!"

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

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

¹⁷ Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?"¹⁸ Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?"¹⁹ Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well." Luke 17:11-19 (NIV)

Gratefulness is an _____ that needs to be _____.

- ❖ Remember it's all _____ to begin with.
- ❖ _____ and _____ those who have _____.
- ❖ Avoid _____ & _____ like the plague.
- ❖ Express _____ frequently to God.

"You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, that my heart may sing your praises and not be silent. Lord my God, I will praise you forever."
Psalm 30:11-12 (NIV)