

# FIRST

FIRST THINGS

January 29, 2017  
Choosing Gratitude | Luke 17:11-19

## Questions for Study and Group Discussion

1. Share a time when someone expressed gratitude to you in an intentional way – either a big way or a small way. How did this make you feel?
2. The sermon from Sunday is part of a series called “First Things First.” Do you agree that this topic of choosing gratitude is a “first things first” priority? Why?
3. Read Luke 17:11-19 as a group. Work together to identify at least 3-4 “take-aways” from this passage that relate closely to gratitude.
4. What do you learn in this passage that helps you think about the importance of gratitude in a fresh way? Explain.
5. Look again at v. 19. Not only was this leper externally cleansed of his disease, he was internally cleansed as well. How should faith in Jesus (who He is and what He’s done for us) naturally lead to gratitude?
6. How can a sense of entitlement - feeling that we have a right to something we received – make choosing gratitude difficult? Do you see more entitlement or more gratitude in our culture? In your life?
7. As a group, develop a starter list of things you have to be thankful to God for – big things or small things. Before you move on, try to identify at least 10 things to be thankful for together.
8. What will you do this week to stand out as a person who chooses gratitude? Get specific! 😊
9. Spend some time reflecting back on what we’ve covered in this “First Things First” series. Below you’ll find each of the topics and Bible passages we’ve looked at the last few weeks.

<u>“First Things First” Topic</u>	<u>Bible Passage</u>
The Word	Psalm 1:1-6
Extravagant Worship	Mark 14:1-9
Compelling Community	Hebrews 10:24-25
Choosing Gratitude	Luke 17:11-19

Now answer the following questions:

- Which of these topics “grabbed” you the most? Why?
- How can you continue to prioritize each of these things as an individual? As a group?
- Close your group in prayer, thanking God for what you’ve learned and asking that these priorities would continue to characterize your life and Brookside Church, bringing glory to God.