

# The Gospel of the King

## The Power to Make Us Clean

### Mark 1:40-45

<sup>40</sup> And a leper came to him, imploring him, and kneeling said to him, "If you will, you can make me clean." <sup>41</sup> Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched him and said to him, "I will; be clean." <sup>42</sup> And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. <sup>43</sup> And Jesus sternly charged him and sent him away at once, <sup>44</sup> and said to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, for a proof to them." <sup>45</sup> But he went out and began to talk freely about it, and to spread the news, so that Jesus could no longer openly enter a town, but was out in desolate places, and people were coming to him from every quarter.

### Lepers - the 'living dead'

Suffered without hope of \_\_\_\_\_

Shut out of \_\_\_\_\_ and shunned from \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (Numbers 12:10, 2 Samuel 3:29, 2 Kings 5:1-2) and \_\_\_\_\_  
(Leviticus 13-14)

Only **one hope**: \_\_\_\_\_.

### The storyline:

The man with leprosy offers \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

The Savior responds with \_\_\_\_\_.

The intersection of the \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_ results in \_\_\_\_\_!

### Why this particular miracle?

*And he healed many who were sick with various diseases ... - Mark 1:34*

In the Gospels, the recorded miracles are all \_\_\_\_\_. So why this one?

Declares the \_\_\_\_\_ identity of Jesus (Matt. 11:5; Luke 7:22)

Displays the \_\_\_\_\_ and the awesome power of the \_\_\_\_\_.

It is a metaphor for the power to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ us to \_\_\_\_\_.

### Why the command to "say nothing to anyone, but go show yourself to the priest ..."?

Jesus knew the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ (and sometimes rebuked them for it ... John 6:26).

Even the most amazing \_\_\_\_\_ are insufficient to create \_\_\_\_\_ (John 11:47-48).

Jesus knew that \_\_\_\_\_, miracles had little \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark 8:17).

Jesus was simply being \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 45) ...

\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ was his primary purpose (Mark 1:14), and this would \_\_\_\_\_ that ministry.

By sending the man to \_\_\_\_\_ to be pronounced clean and to offer sacrifice (Lev. 14:10-11), word of the Messiah-King reaches the center of the nation.

### Conclusion: The Essence of the Gospel

*"Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us ..." (Galatians 3:13a)*