

DISTRACTED BY BLESSINGS Luke 17:11-19

It is a great day to be at Concord as we unveil our new platform and pulpit area. This has been and will continue to be a wonderful place to proclaim the name of Jesus. I know you share with me a sense of

gratitude for our Building Committee, Dick Otke Construction and Paragon for their hard work at getting this project completed on time. We will really enjoy this space for years to come.

Our thoughts do turn to Thanksgiving today. I am preaching this morning on "Distracted by Blessings". It is really difficult to imagine being so blessed that we forget to be thankful. The text from Luke 17:11-19 tells us it is possible. Ten lepers were healed, but only one returned to give thanks.

Charles Spurgeon said concerning this text:

- There are more who receive ______ than ever give praise for them.
- The number of those who ______ is greater than the number who ______.
- More obey _____ than praise the Lord.
- There are more who ______ than there are that praise.

Let us learn from the example of ten men.

- I. Do not allow distractions to keep you from ______ to Christ.
- II. Do not allow distractions to keep you from _____ Christ.
- III. Do not allow distractions to keep you from ______ to Christ.
- IV. Do not allow distractions to keep you from _____ Christ.

May we enjoy the most focused time of giving thanks we have ever known.

Your Servant in Christ, Bro. Monte