

Sunday 4 November 2007

CONSOLIDATING YOUR BREAKTHROUGH THROUGH THANKSGIVING.

Text: Luke 17: 11-19.

Introduction:

The first Sunday of the month in the Redeemed Christian Church (RCCG) is always our Thanksgiving Day. We do celebrate the faithfulness of God; we celebrate His mercies and kindness. We do celebrate our lives Acts 17:28 says “for in Him we live and move and have our being...”

What to keep in mind:

1. Ten miserable Lepers met with Jesus as he was going to Jerusalem passing through Samaria and Galilee
2. They cried to Jesus for help.
3. Jesus instructed the 10 Lepers to go and show themselves to the priest in accordance with the Law of Moses to certify them clean. See Lev. 13: 1-59.
4. On their way they became cleansed
5. Only one of them returned to Jesus to worship him and to thank him.
6. Jesus asked for the other 9. That is an indication that Jesus expected all the ten Lepers to have returned to give thanks and to worship him.
7. Jesus described the lone Leper’s return to give thanks as an act of faith.
8. Those who did not return unfortunately exhibited lack of faith.
9. The faith of the Samaritan Leper made him whole.
10. Those who did not come back were not made whole. They were just cleansed!

Lessons:

1. It takes a man who understands where he is coming from and where he is going to give thanks to the Lord.
2. It takes a man of faith to thank the Lord for the blessings he has not received: 1 Thes. 5:18.
3. Our breakthrough is consolidated and made whole when we give thanks to the Lord for the breakthrough and not run away as though what we got was through

our own strength and efforts. We needed to be made whole and perfect in all good works.