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God's Goodness Is Often Greater Than We Recognize.

They recognized their need for mercy.

Jesus responded to their desperate situation.

We often recognize God's blessings only when we desperately need them.

Gratitude Requires Us to Stop and Remember.

Gratitude begins when we recognize the source of our blessings.

Gratitude requires intentional action.

Gratitude should never be limited by our circumstances.

True Gratitude Draws Us Closer to Jesus.

We can receive God's blessings and still miss something greater.

Gratitude leads us to recognize Jesus for who he really is.

Gratitude reminds us that faith is about more than receiving blessings.

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Matters for Reflection and Discussion:

1. Why do you think it's sometimes easier to recognize God's goodness during difficult seasons than during comfortable ones?

2. Read Luke 17:11-19. All ten men experienced healing, but only one returned to thank Jesus. What do you think might have motivated the Samaritan to turn back?

3. What are some everyday blessings that you have gradually begun to take for granted?

4. What's the difference between enjoying God's blessings and genuinely recognizing him as the source of those blessings?

5. Why do you think gratitude requires intentional effort? What tends to distract us from expressing thankfulness?

6. The Samaritan returned to Jesus and fell at his feet. How does genuine gratitude influence our relationship with Christ and our worship of him?

7. How can we maintain a thankful heart during seasons of disappointment, uncertainty, or unanswered prayer?

8. Why is our salvation through Jesus Christ the greatest reason we have to be grateful? How should that truth influence our daily lives?

9. What is one specific way you can be more intentional about expressing gratitude to God this week?