

*This Week's Worship: Jesus and The 10 Lepers*

**Opening**

Wherever we come together,  
**God is with us.**  
**God is here.**

We come together to say sorry  
We come together to say Thank you  
We come together to ask for God's help  
We come together to hear God's story  
We come together to celebrate God's love.

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**Saying Sorry**

*Hold onto a stone and think about things that you have done this week you would like to say sorry for.*

God loves us and forgives us when we are sorry for wrong things we have done.  
For times this week when we have made others sad.  
**We are sorry.**

For times this week when we have not helped others  
**We are sorry.**

For times this week when we have not looked after your creation,  
**We are sorry**

For times this week when we have been selfish  
**We are sorry**

*Put the stone in a bowl of water*

As we leave these things behind, may God forgive us and give us a new, clean start today.  
**Amen**

**Saying thank you**

*To join in you will need: some slips of paper, some pens and an empty jam jar (you can join in without this for the first few weeks but can then join in when you have had the time to put some things in the jar!)  
Ask each person to draw or write down on one of the slips something they would like to say thank you for and put it in the jar. As we pray, pull a slip out of the jar and say thank you for what is written on it.  
Continue to fill the jar during the week.*

God, you are amazing and you have given us good things. We thank you for all your gifts to us.  
Thank you for...  
Amen

Thank you for...  
Amen

Thank you for...  
Amen

*Continue until everyone has had a chance to say something.*

### **Story and response**

Listen to this week's story or read a story from the Bible. This week's story is from Luke 17.11-19

I wonder which part of this story you liked the most?  
I wonder what surprised you about this story?  
I wonder what this story makes you feel?  
I wonder where you are in this story?  
Do you wonder anything about this story?

### **Prayers**

This story gives us a real sense of the importance of saying thank you for what we have been given. Only one of the 10 lepers came back to say thank you to Jesus for healing him. Why do you think the others didn't? What things would you like to say thank you for in your life? What makes you happy or feel loved or special? What are your favourite things? Who helps you?

You will need: 2 people, 2 different coloured pens, paper

Draw a noughts and crosses grid (3 squares x 3 squares). Person 1 choose a square and, with your coloured pen, write or draw in the square something you would like to say thank you for. Person 2 can now pick a square and do the same. Keep choosing squares and saying thank you until one person has written/ drawn in 3 squares in a row. That person has won the prayer game!

**Pray: God, thank you for all the things you have given us- nature, food, people, our favourite things. Help us to remember to say thank you for the things that make us happy and to share the good things we have with others. Amen**

### **Close**

Wherever we come together,  
**God is with us.**  
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May God bless us.  
May we know that we are loved  
May we know that we are cared for.  
May we know God's hope.

**God is with us**  
**God is here**  
**Amen.**

*Extinguish the candle.*