2021 Mark’s Gospel Study

“I AM WILLING…BE CLEAN!”

Mark 1:40-45

Key Verse: 1:41

1. Who came to Jesus and how had his disease affected him physically, socially and spiritually (40a; Lev 13:45-46)? What do his actions and words tell us about his faith in Jesus (40b)? What can you learn here about coming to Jesus?

2. How did Jesus respond (41)?[[1]](#footnote-0) What is the significance of Jesus’ reaching out and touching the man? What do Jesus’ words to the man tell us about Jesus? What happened to the man (42)?

3. What strong warning did Jesus give the man, and why (43-44a)? What instructions did Jesus give (44b)? Why did Jesus send him to the priest (Lev 14:19-20)?

4. What did the man do instead, and how did it impact Jesus’ ministry (45)? What can we learn here about the importance of obeying Jesus?

5. What have you learned about Jesus and yourself from this passage?

1. See NIV footnote. Many ancient manuscripts use the word for “filled with compassion” rather than “indignation.” Both words denote a strong feeling or emotion. Jesus’ indignation was not anger with the man, but an expression of his compassion toward him. [↑](#footnote-ref-0)