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Now therefore,
our God, we
thank You, and
praise Your glo-
rious name.

1 Chronicles 29:13

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How Do I Say Thank You?

I read the story of the 10 lepers again. Why did only one come back and say thank you? This healing God has given Joe has made me look at my heart. Oh, it's thankful for sure. But what do you do with a thank you - it seems so little.

Then I started to look at the one that came back. First he came back to Jesus. Face to face with Him. I can imagine how he looked at Him. Who are You? What are You all about? You know that song, "Your Just Too Good To Be True" with the lyrics, "I can't take my eyes off you"? I think it was written by this man. At the end of the gift a choice is always there. To look at the gift or embrace the giver.



Jesus is not the means to an end -- healing, salvation, forgiveness, peace in the home, a great marriage, perfect children all the things we ask and want. It's funny how getting what I want does not

fill my heart. I am always left a little empty. I think God lets it be that way so I will come back and face the real gift I desire. Jesus.

As I have come back to thank God for his gift of healing Joe, I hear a still small voice say, "My child, I never promised you that if you would surrender, repent and get right with Me, You would have an eased situation, great power, success in your service, or even revival. What I do promise you is that, if you will walk with Me and abide in me, let Me cleanse you from sin and unbelief, you will have, not these things, but, ME. Make Me your End and you will surely have that End and You shall be satisfied, lacking nothing that is in my will for you."

I love His voice. It always leads me to His heart.

The wonderful thing is, however, that when we are willing to be convicted of the sin of asking for other things as our end, and to have the Lord Jesus as our only end, God delights to give us with Him many of these very things which we are now not seeking first. His word promises, "How shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?" (Romans 8:32).

Fixing my eyes on Jesus.... is the only thanks I can conjure up each minute.

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