

PREPARE THE WAY FOR
THE LORDS COMING

SERVANT KING

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WEEK 4: NEVER GONNA STOP SINGING 1:40-45

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CHAPTER 2

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12 And the man stepped forward, and walked out through the cloak of the tax collector. They were all amazed at what God had done. 13

14 Then Jesus said to him, "Follow me, and I will make you a disciple." Jesus said to him, "So Levi got up and followed him."

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17 When Jesus heard this, he told them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor, but sinners do. I have been sent to call sinners to repentance."

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A Pharisee asked about the Sabbath. "One Sabbath, Jesus was teaching in a synagogue, and a woman who had been crippled for eighteen years

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AND YOU

PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE LORDS COMING!



FIND YOURSELF IN TODAY'S NARRATIVE

CHARACTERS IN TODAY'S NARRATIVE

-JESUS...

-PREACHING THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S KINGDOM

**-VALIDATING HIS AUTHORITY WITH DISPLAYS OF DIVINE
POWER.**

-LEPER...

**LEPER: ONE WHO IS
DESPERATELY, HOPELESSLY, PERMANENTLY
OUTSIDE THE CAMP**

THE
WALKING
DEAD

LEPER: DESPERATION EXPRESSED

AND A LEPER CAME TO HIM,

LEPER: SUBMISSION EXPRESSED

**AND A LEPER CAME TO HIM, IMPLORING HIM,
AND KNEELING...**

LEPER: FAITH EXPRESSED

**AND A LEPER CAME TO HIM, IMPLORING HIM,
AND KNEELING SAID TO HIM, "IF YOU WILL, YOU CAN
MAKE ME CLEAN."**

JESUS: TYPICAL RESPONSE TO HUMBLE DESPERATION

**MOVED WITH PITY, HE STRETCHED OUT HIS HAND AND
TOUCHED HIM AND SAID TO HIM, "I WILL; BE
CLEAN." AND IMMEDIATELY THE LEPROSY LEFT HIM,
AND HE WAS MADE CLEAN.**

**AND JESUS STERNLY CHARGED HIM AND SENT HIM
AWAY AT ONCE, AND SAID TO HIM, "SEE THAT YOU
SAY NOTHING TO ANYONE, BUT GO, SHOW YOURSELF
TO THE PRIEST AND OFFER FOR YOUR CLEANSING
WHAT MOSES COMMANDED, FOR A PROOF TO THEM."**

LEPER: NEVER GONNA STOP SINGING

**BUT HE WENT OUT AND BEGAN TO TALK FREELY ABOUT
IT, AND TO SPREAD THE NEWS, SO THAT JESUS COULD
NO LONGER OPENLY ENTER A TOWN, BUT WAS OUT
IN DESOLATE PLACES, AND PEOPLE WERE COMING TO
HIM FROM EVERY QUARTER.**

DID YOU FIND YOURSELF IN THIS STORY?

**A THOROUGHLY BIBLICAL PROPOSITION:
APART FROM JESUS AND HIS GOSPEL, WE'RE ALL SPIRITUAL
LEPERS - DESPERATE, HOPELESS, PERMANENTLY LOST**

THE WALKING DEAD, DESPERATELY OUTSIDE THE CAMP

EPHESIANS 2: 1-3 AS FOR YOU, YOU WERE DEAD IN YOUR TRANSGRESSIONS AND SINS, IN WHICH YOU USED TO LIVE WHEN YOU FOLLOWED THE WAYS OF THIS WORLD AND OF THE RULER OF THE KINGDOM OF THE AIR, THE SPIRIT WHO IS NOW AT WORK IN THOSE WHO ARE DISOBEDIENT.

THE WALKING DEAD, DESPERATELY OUTSIDE THE CAMP

ALL OF US ALSO LIVED AMONG THEM AT ONE TIME,
GRATIFYING THE CRAVINGS OF OUR FLESH AND FOLLOWING ITS
DESIRES AND THOUGHTS. LIKE THE REST, WE WERE BY
NATURE DESERVING OF WRATH.

PREPARING FOR THE LORD'S TABLE

THE LORD'S TABLE – A SONG OF GRATITUDE FROM THE 'WALKING CLEANSED'

THE SONG OF THE WALKING CLEANSED

EPHESIAN 2:4-10 BUT BECAUSE OF HIS GREAT LOVE FOR US,
GOD, WHO IS RICH IN MERCY, MADE US ALIVE WITH CHRIST
EVEN WHEN WE WERE DEAD IN TRANSGRESSIONS—IT IS BY
GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED.

THE SONG OF THE WALKING CLEANSED

AND GOD RAISED US UP WITH CHRIST AND SEATED US WITH HIM IN THE HEAVENLY REALMS IN CHRIST JESUS, IN ORDER THAT IN THE COMING AGES HE MIGHT SHOW THE INCOMPARABLE RICHES OF HIS GRACE, EXPRESSED IN HIS KINDNESS TO US IN CHRIST JESUS.

THE SONG OF THE WALKING CLEANSED

FOR IT IS BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED, THROUGH FAITH—
AND THIS IS NOT FROM YOURSELVES, IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD—
NOT BY WORKS, SO THAT NO ONE CAN BOAST. FOR WE ARE
GOD'S HANDIWORK, CREATED IN CHRIST JESUS TO DO GOOD
WORKS, WHICH GOD PREPARED IN ADVANCE FOR US TO DO.

WHAT IF I CAN'T/WON'T SEE MYSELF AS THE LEPER?