

## 28<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time

Thanks Scramble THANKS on indiv pieces of paper to kids, mixed up, unscramble

When Ginni and I went home for vaca, some of our friends gave us donations to help with St. Gabriel's and now I plan to send "Thank You" cards in the mail. It's important to take the time to say "Thank You."

Don't you just hate it when someone does something nice for you and your mother prompts you by saying, "Now, what do you say?" You knew what to say, didn't you? We all know what to say, but unfortunately, we sometimes forget to say it. That is what happened in our Bible lesson today.

Let me explain NAAMAN

- It says he plunged into the Jordan 7x & flesh became like a child & he glorified God  
(Explain what preceded this) THEN ... This reading

Naaman was so thankful he took 2 mule-loads of Israeli soil so when he prayed he'd always be on Israeli ground

2 Points

1. Importance of giving thanks to God (we are all blessed)

Recognizing God's Power

2. Naaman was Syrian (Foreigner)

NB God's salvation is for ALL people

All creation gives glory to God – All creation recognizes dependence on God  
(importance for us as Catholics)

Notice the Psalm – The Lord revealed to the nations His saving power

Not Jews, Not Christians, But Everyone - all can have salvation

### **Gospel**

10 Lepers come to JC

JC "Go show yourselves to the priest" Doesn't heal WHY? - Lev - Healing v. Cleansing

As they were going they were cleansed

(Obedience) Could've not gone, Could've pleaded 'do it now'

One returns glorifying God and giving thanks

NB – Same 2 lessons as with Naaman

1. Importance of giving thanks to God

2. Leper was a Samaritan

a. God's salvation is for all people

### Watch This

What saved the Samaritan Leper – JC says 'your faith has saved you'

By Faith – mountains can be cast into the sea

How much faith – faith the size of a mustard seed

By Faith – Leper was saved

By Faith – WE are saved

Do you have faith – do you?

Do you believe?

**Thank God** for our faith is indeed a blessing

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