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WHAT DID JESUS TREAT
OUTCASTS LIKE?



Luke 5:12-16

- 1 - the leper:

“While He was in one of the cities, behold, there was a man covered with leprosy; and when he saw Jesus, he fell on his face and implored Him, saying, “Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean.”



Luke 5:12-16

And He stretched out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." And immediately the leprosy left him. And He ordered him to tell no one, "But go and show yourself to the priest and make an offering for your cleansing, just as Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.""



Luke 5:17-20

“One day He was teaching; and there were some Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting there, who had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem; and the power of the Lord was present for Him to perform healing. And some men were carrying on a bed a man who was paralyzed; and they were trying to bring him in and to set him down in front of Him.



Luke 5:17-20

But not finding any way to bring him in because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down through the tiles with his stretcher, into the middle of the crowd, in front of Jesus. Seeing their faith, He said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven you."



Outcasts Jesus Interacted With

- The sinful woman who washed Jesus' feet.
- Parable of the prodigal.

The way Jesus treated people, not just tolerated them, is a great example of the way we treat, live with and help people find their way into the family with purpose.



Practically

- Am I willing to spend time with them?
- Will I let them into my home?
- Am I willing to give them employment if I'm able?



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