

## LUKE 17; September 3; Woe! If You Offend a Little One

### ANALYSIS:

1. What does Jesus teach here about dealing with a brother who trespasses against you? \_\_\_\_\_
2. When you have served the Lord in all He commanded, what ought you to say to Him? \_\_\_\_\_
3. In how many ways was one leper different from the other nine?  
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4. Who did Jesus say would reject him? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Jesus compared the days of which two O. T. men to the day when He would manifest Himself? \_\_\_\_\_

### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

When Jesus pronounces “Woe” against someone, we want to take note, for His judgment is most significant. The evil, against which Jesus is warning all of us, is for offending another, especially a “little one.” The danger is very great since “it is impossible but that offences will come.” Fathers in particular are warned, “provoke not your children to wrath” (Eph 6:3). How do we offend a little one? By demanding of a child more than we are practicing as their example. By neglecting and/or ignoring them. By unnecessary severity in correction. By lack of mercy regarding faults and failures. By overly critical comments. By substituting things (gifts) for our love, training and time investment in them.

Let us plant the seed of faith, in our Lord's lovingkindness and faithfulness, into the heart of every child we touch. Let us honestly admit our failures to them (for they see them already!). Let us cultivate conversation about always doing the Lord's will. Let us encourage them with some words of praise when we see their efforts to obey and please the Lord.

### HELP:

1. Rebuke him and forgive him as many times as he repents (vs 3-4).
2. We are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was out duty to do (v 10).
3. He was a Samaritan (implying the others were Jews), he did not complete his trip to show himself to the priests, he returned and fell at the feet of Jesus and loudly glorified God, and was commended by Jesus for his faith (vs 15-16, 19).
4. This generation (v 25).
5. Noe (Noah) and Lot (vs 26-30).