



West Suburban  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

### ***“Jesus is My All in All”***

Mark 1:40-45 ♦ Pastor Jim Lennon  
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**Introduction -** Today we will look at what happens when a crushing problem meets the compassionate Savior.

#### **I. A Crushing Problem.**

- A. A man with leprosy came to Jesus.
- B. Leprosy was a terrible incurable disease.
- C. Leprosy was associated with God's judgment, especially for the sin of pride.
  - 1. Miriam (Numbers 12)
  - 2. Uzziah (II Chronicles 26)
- D. There were specific instructions in the Mosaic Law about what a leper should do, and how they should live.  
(Leviticus 13-14)
- E. The leper in Mark 1 scandalously risked everything to come to Jesus for help.
- F. How the leper approaches Jesus says a lot about him.

#### **II. A Compassionate Savior.**

- A. Jesus' response to the leper was just as scandalous.
- B. Jesus touched him because He had compassion for him.

#### C. Two questions:

- 1. How will we as a church show compassion like Jesus?
- 2. What kind of person is Jesus renewing us to be in His image?
- 3. In Jesus we see . . . .

#### **III. Jesus is Our All in All.**

- A. The leper's example shows us how Jesus changes His followers.  
Unconditional surrender is met with unconditional love.
- B. The leper offered himself completely to Jesus.
- C. The leper entrusted himself to Jesus' good will.
- D. Notice what Jesus doesn't do:
- E. Notice what Jesus does:
- F. The leper and Jesus trade places.
  - 1. A great reversal.
  - 2. A picture of salvation.

#### ***Conclusion***