

For the Love of God

THE LEPER PRIEST

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Leprosy is a chronic bacterial infection that damages nerves in the legs, arms and skin, and causes serious skin sores that disfigure the body. It is most common in tropical and sub-tropical areas. Until the 1940s there was no effective treatment for the disease, and it was thought to be highly contagious. For this reason, victims of leprosy were often isolated in an attempt to stop the spread of the disease. Today, leprosy still occurs (up to 250,000 cases a year being reported to WHO) but it is completely curable with antibiotics.



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Compassion is, at the heart, the
principal of caring.

You care enough to suffer with
the other person.



⁴⁰ A man with leprosy came and knelt in front of Jesus, begging to be healed. “If you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean,” he said.

⁴¹ Moved with compassion, Jesus reached out and touched him. “I am willing,” he said. “Be healed!” ⁴² Instantly the leprosy disappeared, and the man was healed.

JOHN 13.1-15

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Christians as a rule are quite good at not following through the really radical, really challenging teachings of Jesus Christ. It's easy to criticise Christians like that, but I think it's justifiable.



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