

“I Will”

I. Luke 5:12

A. Knew Jesus had the power – had heard the reports of miracles. Romans 10:17.

B. Unsure of Jesus’ willingness.

1. Lepers were outcasts.

2. Feared and despised by society and religious leaders.

3. Death was all he had to look forward to.

4. Did not know if Jesus would have anything to do with him.

II. Luke 5:13

A. “I will” – Jesus receives all who come unto Him.

B. John 6:37

C. Showed healing is God’s will.

1. John 14:9

2. Deuteronomy 28 - sickness is under the curse of the law.

III. Luke 5:14

A. Leviticus 14:4 and 13:49 – Show himself to the priests.

B. “...tell no man.” Jesus did not want further attention drawn to His miracles.

C. Spread news abroad resulting in Mark 1:45.

D. Called the 12 – Chapter 6:13.

IV. *To touch a leper was to make Jesus unclean – to pronounce him clean was to trespass on the authority of the priests.*

It was a glorious violation of the letter of the Law and a glorious illustration of the Spirit of the Law which declares mercy is better than sacrifice.