

**Main point:** We must believe that Jesus loves us and desires that we belong to him and his community.

1. Apart from Jesus, we are without \_\_\_\_\_ and his \_\_\_\_\_ (12)
  - a. Lepers are those forced to live without God and his community (Leviticus 13:45-46).
  - b. Without Jesus, we are like lepers (Eph 2:1).
2. We must acknowledge Jesus is king, but also that he longs for you to \_\_\_\_\_ (12-13)
3. Jesus makes sure that you belong to him by doing two things:
  - a. He heals your \_\_\_\_\_ relationship (i.e., your relationship with God; v. 13)
  - b. He heals your \_\_\_\_\_ relationship (i.e., your relationship with *his* community; v. 14)
    - i. The command of Moses for the restoration of lepers is found in Leviticus 14.