

Luke 17:1-19  
*“Principles for Successful Living”*

**Introduction:**

- The nature of religion in the ancient world
- What is at the heart of the Christian faith?

**I. Don't Cause Others to Stumble: (vs.1-3a)**

- A. What is the definition of the word “*offenses*”? (vs.1)
- B. What does Jesus say is impossible? (vs.1)
- C. Who are the “little ones”, and what does this expression convey? (vs.2)

**II. Forgive Those Who Sin Against You: (vs.3b-4)**

- A. Why are we to confront “*brothers*” who sin against us? (vs.3)
- B. Why is forgiveness tied to repentance? (vs.3-4)

**III. Exercise Genuine Faith: (vs.5-6)**

- A. What do the mustard seed and the mulberry tree represent? (vs.6)
- B. What is the lesson on faith here? (vs.6)

**IV. See Yourself as God's Slave: (vs.7-10)**

- A. What does the story teach us about serving God?

**V. Give Thanks for God's Grace: (vs.11-19)**

How did all ten of the lepers demonstrate faith? (vs.14)

What was special about the Samaritan? (vs.15-16)

**Conclusion:**

- What is the lesson from this passage?