

WHOLE Faith



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- 2 Only one of the ten people who were healed turned back to thank Jesus. What might that act of "turning back" symbolize for our own faith journeys? When have you felt prompted to turn back to God in gratitude?
- 3 If worship is the training ground for gratitude, how do our prayers, songs, and offerings help cultivate gratitude in us? Where do you see gratitude already present in your church's worship life?

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