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## LYRICS

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But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin." - I John 1: 7

"And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell DOWN on his FACE at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a **SAMARITAN**. So Jesus answered and said, 'Were there not 10 cleansed? But where are the 9? **Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?**' -- Luke 17: 15-16 NKJV, after Jesus has healed ten lepers.

### 1

WHAT can wash away my sins? Nothing but the Blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the Blood of Jesus.

Oh, precious is the flow that makes me white as snow.....

No other Fount I know: Nothing but the Blood of Jesus.

We have read in Luke 17 in a village there were listening

TEN lepers who came to Jesus and begged Him for skin that's cleansed.

### 2

This is all my Hope and Peace: Nothing but the Blood of Jesus.

This is all my righteousness: Nothing but the Blood of Jesus.

Jesus sent them to church to be cleansed, but just one leper came back to Him. *"Weren't there 10 miracles?"* Jesus asked --- as <u>ONE</u> man worshiped Him.

## 3

Oh, precious is the flow that makes me white as snow.....

No other Fount I know: Nothing but the Blood of Jesus.

WE are all lepers to Holy God. In our filthy sins, need His washing. DO we fall facedown like that man did to thank and worship Jesus?

### SPOKEN

You and I are lepers. We called to Jesus, *"Heal me!"* We Christians are lepers, whom Jesus cleansed of sins.

Most of use who Jesus healed of sins are like 9 men, who

ran off happy, healed of filthy, satisfied with the minimum --- a

quick church visit to obey Him, but never even thanking Him.

The <u>one man</u> who came back, people mocked as a Samaritan. He knew how much sin he had. He felt awe and fell to the ground to show Jesus his deepest thanks -- **EVEN** <u>BEFORE</u> THE CROSS.

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#### 4

Oh, precious is the flow that makes me white as snow...... No other Fount I know: Nothing but the Blood of Jesus.

**WHAT ABOUT US?** Have we lost our awe that Jesus came to die on that Cross? DO we fall face down like that man did to thank and worship Jesus?

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#### Song Story: The Lyrics

This was another "written out in minutes" gift from God --the lyrics, Now the music -*that* was a lot more difficult, with all the hip hop tracks to create and blend with traditional music. The lyrics were written in a church cemetery during Easter week after time at the altar.

I had found this story in Luke 17 and was amazed (and rather abashed) that I had never before noticed that the single person who returned to worship Jesus in thanks for being healed was a Samaritan, like the key character in the parable Jesus told that we all know of as "The Good Samaritan." That story is 7 chapters earlier, at the end of Luke 10.

#### Song Story: The Music

A full year of other song projects left this song's complete Lyrics file in my Drafts folder for over a year. One day while waiting for the computer to copy many meg of data onto a slow flash drive, unable to do any more file management at the same time, I just clicked on my Drafts folder to see what might be interesting for the coming weeks. I found this song.

I designed original music, of course, but with splashes of old hymns flitting through the background. Easter choir practices while writing the lyrics had inspired the first thoughts that the Holy Spirit developed into this song concept:

As Christians practice music singing *"What Wondrous Love is This?"* and *"The Old Rugged Cross,"* sometimes the words -- and scriptures of Jesus's suffering themselves -- become so familiar that we've lost the awe and the SORROW as well as the joy-filled thanks for all Jesus did for us.

And sometimes we lose God's emphasis that He came to save the sin LEPERS of the world. The "Samaritan" LEPERS who have drifted somewhat from the Truth in God's Word. And us LEPERS who have categorized our sin disease as "not as bad" as some people.... forgetting that the least bit of rotting flesh nauseates our Holy LORD God. So <u>He came to give us a way for complete healing (MARK 10:45)</u>:

First John 1:9...... 1. If we confess our sins, (verse 9)

2. Jesus Christ, God's Son (verse 7)

3. will cleanse the rotting flesh of our leprosy sins.

**BUT -- if we think our bit of leprosy isn't as bad as other people's**.... verses 8, 10: "we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.... If we say that we have not sinned, we make [CALL] Him a liar, and His word is not in us."