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Group Assignment: Chapter 13

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After reading Chapter 13 individually, the group was to discuss the following questions:

- What is the cultural background of the main character, i.e., the narrator?
- To whom is the narrator speaking?
- Why has the narrator postured into his/her current situation?
- As the leader of this community, what would you do to defuse the conflict?
- Those who know the source should take notes

General Impressions:

- **Cultural Background:** different, possibly European, trying to assimilate, different than those around him in language and status
- **Narrator:** Speaking to the reader or those who came after him, it could be a journal or diary
- **Current Situation:** fearful, hiding, safe now - but not enough to come out, alone, low status, hiding due to abnormalities and deformities, fearful of more bad treatment, perhaps has leprosy, a criminal?
- **Leaders:** Should teach to cultural difference, not deficiencies, help society to understand him