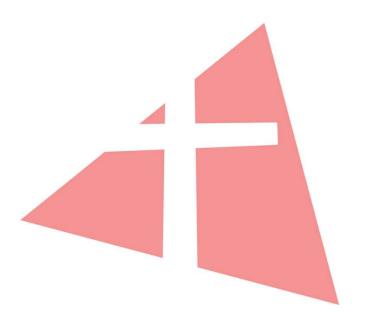
# **Community: Compassion**

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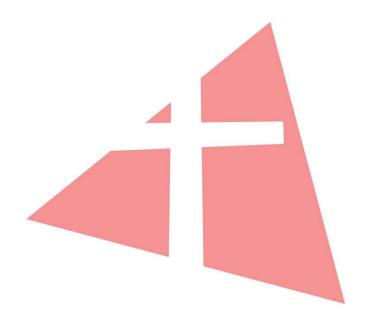
### **Our Series**

o Community



## Today's Focus

o Compassion



#### **Jesus showed Compassion**

Matthew 9:36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

ο Compassion σπλαγχνίζομαι splanchnízomai, splangkh-nid'-zom-ahee

middle voice from <u>G4698</u>; to have the bowels yearn, i.e. (figuratively) feel sympathy, to pity:—have (be moved with) compassion.

Matthew 20:34 So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

Mark 1:41 And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and said unto him, I will; be clean.

Mark 9:22 And often it has cast him into the fire, and into the waters, to destroy him: but if you can do anything, have compassion on us, and help us.

Luke 7:13 And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not.

Luke 15:20 And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him.

Matthew 18:27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and released him, and forgave him the debt.

- Jesus has compassion on the problems we face in this life
- Even more, Jesus has compassion on our souls

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

#### **Our Part**

• We can experience God's Compassion when we acknowledge our need for compassion

#### Jesus' Command

Luke 10:33 But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,

#### Throughout the Rest of the NT

Colossians 3:12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

1 Peter 3:8 Finally, be all of one mind, having compassion one with another, love as **bre**thren, be tender hearted, be courteous:

1 John 3:17 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother have need, and shuts up his heart of compassion from him, how dwells the love of God in him?

#### The Book of Acts

Acts 3:6 Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

Acts 9:33-34 And there he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been in bed eight years, and was paralyzed. And Peter said unto him, Aeneas, Jesus Christ makes you whole: arise, and make your bed. And he arose immediately.

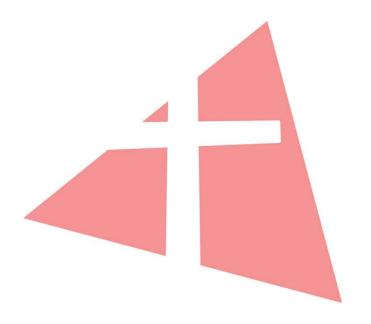
Acts 9:40 But Peter put them all forth, and kneeled down, and prayed; and turning to the body said, Tabitha, arise. And she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.

### **Our Calling**

- We are the Body of Christ
- God wants us to reflect His compassion to the people around us

#### Just to be clear

- We won't be able to show perfect compassion to everyone
- But "Growing in compassion" is evidence of Faith



#### The Result of Compassion

- People were drawn to Jesus because He showed compassion
- People joined the church in the NT because the church showed compassion
- None of us would be in this room today if people didn't show compassion to me in 2004

#### In Conclusion

- God wants to use all of us to grow in and show compassion
- O How am I experiencing God's compassion on a regular basis?
- Who does God want me to show compassion to?

