

At WBC, we are humbled that God has allowed us to be involved in many ministries that enable us to visibly demonstrate the compassion and love of Christ. Let's make this a little, (okay a lot) more personal, what about you and me? Do we demonstrate the compassion of Jesus Christ? Continuing our study of the Good Samaritan, we learn that compassion is a principle that should permeate our lives as followers of Jesus Christ. In fact, you cannot ignore people in need when your heart is truly filled with compassion.

3 principles about compassion:

COMPASSION IS ROOTED IN A RIGHT RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

- A heart of compassion flows from being in a right relationship with God.
- A heart of compassion flows from a desire to reflect the character of God.

COMPASSION IS RISKY BUSINESS

- Compassion will challenge your comfort zone.
- Compassion will challenge your generosity.
- Compassion will challenge your perseverance.

COMPASSION IS VERY REWARDING

Paul challenges us to “put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.”
Colossians 3:12, NASB95

Always remember:

- God is full of compassion for people. *Psalms 86:15*
- Jesus had compassion for lost people. *Matthew 9:36*
- Jesus had compassion for sick people. *Matthew 14:14*
- Jesus had compassion for hungry people. *Matthew 15:32*
- Jesus had compassion for people who had lost loved ones.