



ADULTS & STUDENTS DISCUSSION GUIDE

Message: August 23, 2020

Key thought: Compassion is a principle that should permeate our lives as followers of Jesus Christ. You cannot ignore people in need when your heart is truly filled with compassion.

DISCUSS:

- Luke 10:33 -

- If you had to give a definition to the word, “compassion” what would it be? Would you consider yourself to be a compassionate person? Explain.
- Read Luke 10:25-37. In what ways do you see compassion demonstrated in our passage? What specific way(s) do you struggle with showing compassion?
- “A heart of Biblical compassion flows from being in a right relationship with God.” How does our relationship with God directly impact how we show compassion to others? What makes the compassion of believers different from great compassion agencies like the Red Cross?
- Read Genesis 1:27. “A heart of Biblical compassion flows from a desire to reflect the character of God.” How does being created in the image of God affect our demonstration of compassion? Read John 1:12-13. According to these verses, are all people “children of God”? Explain.

APPLY:

- Compassion is risky business. How does our main passage demonstrate risks associated with compassion? Has there ever been a time that you were scared to show compassion? Explain.
- Compassion is very rewarding. Read Colossians 3:12-17. What stands out most to you in these verses about how we should live?
- What do we learn about the kinds of people Jesus showed compassion towards in the following verses: Matthew 9:36; Matthew 14:14; Matthew 15:32; Luke 7:13-14. Who do you feel compassion towards most in your life?
- If you were honest, how do you feel your comfort zone or generosity is being challenged as a follower of Jesus? Are there currently any risks that you are not willing to take to show biblical compassion? Pray together about these.

MISSIONAL TAKE AWAY:

Think of ways that your group can accomplish this together.

- This week, August 23-29, with your help, Whitesburg will provide the following to fill 2000 Senior Care Kits for the Legacy Center here in Huntsville (www.liveyourlegacyhere.com):
 - Easy grip can openers with large handles, jar openers, small sauce pans, adult briefs and socks and 8oz bottles of sanitizer

Items can be dropped off at the church office during the week, or you can bring them with you next Sunday, August 30.