

# Authentic Compassion

*“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.” Matthew 5:7,  
English Standard Version*

Compassion is a \_\_\_\_\_ value of the \_\_\_\_\_ that we hold.

## Your Pain In My Heart

A. A trait demonstrated by God:

1. Mark 1:40-42 – Compassion began in Jesus’ \_\_\_\_\_, leading Him to \_\_\_\_\_ the leper and \_\_\_\_\_ him.
2. Luke 7:13 – Jesus saw the widow \_\_\_\_\_ and had \_\_\_\_\_ on her.
3. Luke 15:20 – The father \_\_\_\_\_ compassion and \_\_\_\_\_ to welcome his son.

B. A trait to be “put on” by Christians:

1. Colossians 3:12 – As God’s \_\_\_\_\_ ones, we are to put on compassionate \_\_\_\_\_ (among other things).
2. Matthew 5:7 – Those who show \_\_\_\_\_ will receive \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Luke 6:31 – What we \_\_\_\_\_ others would \_\_\_\_\_ to us is what we should \_\_\_\_\_ to them.

## Compassion Without Action ...

A. “Compassion without action is just \_\_\_\_\_.” It’s not \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Authentic compassion responds to needs:

1. Proverbs 21:13 – Do we \_\_\_\_\_ our ears to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_? Who will hear us when we \_\_\_\_\_ out?
2. Proverbs 3:28 – If we have the \_\_\_\_\_ they need, we must not \_\_\_\_\_ giving it to them.
3. Luke 10:33 – Two men \_\_\_\_\_ the man’s needs, but \_\_\_\_\_ by. Only the \_\_\_\_\_ showed authentic compassion.
4. 1 John 3:17,18 – If we have this world’s \_\_\_\_\_ but don’t help those in \_\_\_\_\_, does God’s \_\_\_\_\_ abide in us?

C. Proverbs 19:17 – When we’re \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ we \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord, and He will \_\_\_\_\_ us.

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 – God supplies \_\_\_\_\_ for those who \_\_\_\_\_.  
What we do can produce \_\_\_\_\_ to God.

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