

Emotions - Part 4 - Compassion
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⁹ Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. ¹⁰ Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. - Romans 12:9-10

⁸ The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. ⁹ The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made. - Psalm 145:8-9

Growing in Compassion

¹¹ Soon afterward Jesus went with his disciples to the village of Nain, and a large crowd followed him. ¹² A funeral procession was coming out as he approached the village gate. The young man who had died was a widow's only son, and a large crowd from the village was with her. ¹³ When the Lord saw her, his heart overflowed with compassion. "Don't cry!" he said. - Luke 7:11-13

1) SEE the need.

When ***the Lord saw her***, his heart overflowed with compassion. - Luke 7:13

³ Instead of being motivated by selfish ambition or vanity, each of you should, in humility, be moved to treat one another as more important than yourself. ⁴ Each of you should be concerned not only about your own interests, but about the interests of others as well. - Philippians 2:3-4

2) FEEL the need.

¹³ When the Lord saw her, ***his heart overflowed with compassion***. "Don't cry!" he said. - Luke 7:13

3) MEET the need.

¹⁴ Then he walked over to the coffin and touched it, and the bearers stopped. "Young man," he said, "I tell you, get up." ¹⁵ Then the dead boy sat up and began to talk! And Jesus gave him back to his mother.

¹⁶ Great fear swept the crowd, and they praised God, saying, "A mighty prophet has risen among us," and "God has visited his people today." - Luke 7:14-16

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
- Romans 5:8