

Sermon Series: BLESSING OUR COMMUNITY

Sermon Title: "Compassionate Eyes"

Scripture: Luke 10:33 (NASB)

INTRO: What kind of eyes do you have? Eyes of _____ (compassion), or eyes of _____ (judgment)?

HOW TO BE A HERO:

1. See the _____ (need)
 - the scene was a robbery
 - the man was beaten
 - he was left for dead
2. The _____ (Pastor) shows up
 - this is great news
 - the Pastor is well respected & qualified
 - however, this Pastor is no hero, he doesn't get involved
3. A Pastoral _____ (Staff) member shows up
 - he saw the need
 - he too was qualified to meet the need
 - however, he is no hero, he doesn't want to be inconvenienced

*QUESTION: Have you ever been _____ (hurt) by religious people? People that _____ (know) better, but do not _____ (do) better.

4. The hero is a _____ (Samaritan)
 - he saw the need
 - he was moved with compassion

*DEFINITION OF COMPASSION: "to be moved with sympathetic and empathetic pity and concern for the sufferings or misfortunes of others"

5. The hero took _____ (action)
 - he went to him
 - he bandaged the wounds
 - he paid out of his pocket for this man's care

HOW DO WE DEVELOP EYES OF COMPASSION:

1. Take your _____ (judgmental) glasses off
2. Remember you are not a judge but a _____ (servant)
3. Apply the _____ (Golden) Rule

CLOSE: Jesus says "Go and do likewise!"