

It's Not Supposed to Be This Way! "Cart Check"

Pastor Andrew Smith

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Read 1 Peter 3:8,9

1. Pastor Andrew said: "How we interact with people _____ what we _____."

Read Matt 12: 34-37, Luke 6:45 What is the application?

2. What does "like-minded" mean? _____ the other person's _____.

Does it also mean we _____ with them?

3. What does "sympathetic" mean? _____ into and be with someone in their _____.

(Our pr_____ is greater than our pr_____.)

Bonus question: How is empathy different from sympathy? (No, it isn't in the notes.)

4. Define "compassion." Being _____ of the other _____.

5. What does it mean to "give a blessing?" To _____ of _____.

By application then, we are to see them as _____ sees them.

6. According to the text, why do we do this? So we _____ a _____.

From whom? _____ When? _____.

Does the thought of this happening then affect how you think/speak about others now?

Read Ps. 139:23,24

7. The psalmist asked God to _____ and _____ his heart.

Was this for God's benefit or the psalmist's? Why?

Have you ever asked God to reveal to you what is in your "cart/heart?" Why or why not?

8. Pastor Andrew listed some "baggage" we might carry in our cart:

Selfishness Unforgiveness Resentment Bitterness

Do you find any of these "jump" into your cart in your dealings with other people?

Which ones? (Yes. Both. Which feelings, and which people?)

Are there any others you can think of?

9. Who must help us "empty our cart?"

What must we put in instead?

_____ ("The game changer.")

Read Col. 3:8-14

10. What other items do we need to "shop for?"

Pray the Holy Spirit will help you "fill your cart" to overflowing with Himself this week.

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