**Compassion** – *tender mercy, tenderer affections, especially kindness, benevolence, our heart (tender mercies); a heart in which mercy dwells.* 

**Compassion - Hebrew** – to love, to love deeply; to show mercy.

## 1. WE NEED JESUS' COMPASSION FOR THE WORLD'S PAIN.

#### Matthew. 14:14-Passion

So, when Jesus landed he had a huge crowd waiting for him. Seeing so many people, <u>his heart was deeply moved with compassion toward them</u>, <u>so he healed</u> all the sick who were in the crowd.

The Aramaic says, - "He nurtured them in love and cured their frailties."

### Matthew. 20:29-34-Passion

29 As Jesus approached Jericho an immense crowd gathered and followed him. 30 And there were two blind men sitting on the roadside. When they heard that it was Jesus passing by, they shouted, "Son of David, <u>show us</u> <u>mercy, Lord</u>!" 31 Those in the crowd scolded them and told them to be quiet. But the blind men screamed out even louder, "Jesus, Son of David, <u>show us mercy, Lord</u>!" 32 So Jesus stopped and had them brought to him. He asked them, "What do you want me to do for you?" 33 They said, "Lord, we want to see! Heal us!" 34 Jesus was deeply moved with compassion toward them. So, he touched their eyes, and instantly they could see! Jesus said to them, "Your faith has healed you." And all the people praised God because of this miracle. And the two men became his followers from that day onward.

# 2. WE NEED JESUS' COMPASSION FOR THE WORLD'S CONFUSION.

**Confusion** - *instability; hence, an unsettled state; disorder. lack of certainty, unsureness, indecision, hesitation, doubt.* 

### Matthew. 9:36-Passion

36 When *he saw the vast crowds of people*, Jesus' <u>heart was deeply moved</u> <u>with compassion</u>, because they seemed <u>weary and helpless</u>, like wandering sheep without a shepherd.

### 1Corinthians 14:33-Passion

*For God is the God of harmony, not confusion,* as is the pattern in all the churches of God's holy believers.

#### James 1:7-8-Passion

When you are *half-hearted and wavering it leaves you unstable*. Can you really expect to receive anything from the Lord when you're in that condition?

## 3. WE NEED JESUS' COMPASSION FOR THE WORLD'S LONELINESS.

### Mark 1:41-42-Passion

41 *Being deeply moved with tender compassion, Jesus reached out and touched* the skin of the **leper** and told him, "Of course I want you to be healed—so now, be cleansed!" 42 Instantly his leprous sores *completely disappeared and his skin became smooth!* 

### Psalm 68:6-NLT

<u>God places the lonely in families;</u> he sets the prisoners free and gives them joy.

### 4. WE NEED JESUS' COMPASSION FOR THE WORLD'S HUNGER.

### Matthew 15:32-Passion

Jesus called his disciples to himself and said, <u>I care deeply about all these</u> <u>people, for they've already been with me for three days without food.</u> I don't want to send them away fasting or else they may be overcome by weakness on their journey home.

### John 6:33-Passion

The bread of God is the One who came out of heaven <u>to give his life to</u> <u>feed the world.</u>

#### 1 Peter 5:1-2-Passion

... I urge my fellow elders among you,

2 to be compassionate shepherds who tenderly care for God's flock and who feed them well, for you have the responsibility to guide, protect, and oversee.

#### 5. WE NEED JESUS' COMPASSION FOR THE WORLD'S SORROW.

#### Luke 7:12-13

12 As he approached the village, he met a multitude of people in a funeral procession, who were mourning as they carried the body of a young man to the cemetery. The boy was his mother's only son and she was a widow. 13 When the Lord saw the grieving mother, his heart broke for her. With great tenderness he said to her, "Please don't cry."

#### 2Corinthians 1:3-4-Passion

All praises belong to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. For he is the Father of tender mercy and the God of endless comfort.

He always comes alongside us to comfort us in every suffering so that we can come alongside those who are in any painful trial. *We can bring them* this same comfort that God has poured out upon us.

#### Isaiah 61

The mighty Spirit of Lord Yahweh is wrapped around me because Yahweh has anointed me, as a messenger to preach good news to the poor. He sent me to heal the wounds of the brokenhearted, to tell captives, "You are free," and to tell prisoners, "Be free from your darkness." 2 I am sent to announce a new season of Yahweh's grace and a time of God's recompense on his enemies, to comfort all who are in sorrow, 3 to strengthen those crushed by despair who mourn in Zion— to give them a beautiful bouquet in the place of ashes, the oil of bliss instead of tears and the mantle of joyous praise instead of the spirit of heaviness.



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