

COMPASSION

VARIOUS SCRIPTURES

1. Any compassionate work we do must be _____. The Gospel is of _____.
If we lose the Gospel as our distinction, we have lost EVERYTHING!

MATTHEW 5:13-16; 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-4

2. The primary mission of Jesus' Church is not feeding hungry people or clothing naked people or giving medicine to sick people, though these are all great things... The primary mission of the Church is seeing God breathe life into spiritually _____!

It's our desire and mission for people to see and know how great our God is, to understand the love He has for them and how He has made that known through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and for them to put their faith and hope in Him.

PSALM 86:8-10

"If the pursuit of God's glory is not ordered above the pursuit of man's good in the affections of the heart and the priorities of the church, man will not be well served, and God will not be duly honored. I am not pleading for a diminishing of missions but for a magnifying of God. When the flame of worship burns with the heat of God's true worth, the light of missions will shine to the darkest peoples on earth. And I long for that day to come! Where passion for God is weak, zeal for missions will be weak. Churches that are not centered on the exaltation of the majesty and beauty of God will scarcely kindle a fervent desire to "declare His glory among the nations" (Ps. 96:3)." -- John Piper, Let The Nations Be Glad

We show compassion by...

- Loving _____.

GALATIANS 6:6-10; JOHN 13:34-35; 2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-5

- Loving _____.

MATTHEW 25:31-45; JAMES 2:14-17

DON'T WAIT ON A CHURCH PROGRAM TO SHOW COMPASSION!

→ Because of Jesus, we _____ and _____ differently.

Because of Jesus, we _____ for others.

We live _____ because of _____!

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3. Any compassionate work we do must be Gospel-driven. The Gospel is of first importance. If we lose the Gospel as our distinction, we have lost **EVERYTHING!**

MATTHEW 5:13-16; 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-4

4. The primary mission of Jesus' Church is not feeding hungry people or clothing naked people or giving medicine to sick people, though these are all great things... The primary mission of the Church is seeing God breathe life into spiritually dead people!

It's our desire and mission for people to see and know how great our God is, to understand the love He has for them and how He has made that known through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and for them to put their faith and hope in Him.

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We show compassion by...

- Loving one another.

GALATIANS 6:6-10; JOHN 13:34-35; 2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-5

- Loving the world.

MATTHEW 25:31-45; JAMES 2:14-17

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→ Because of Jesus, we live and treat others differently.

Because of Jesus, we care for others.

We live differently because of Jesus!