

# ARE YOU MOVED BY COMPASSION?

*Matthew 14:13-21*



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***13*** When Jesus heard what had happened, he withdrew by boat privately to a solitary place. Hearing of this, the crowds followed him on foot from the towns. ***14*** When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

***15*** As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.”



**16** *Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.”*

**17** *“We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered.*

**18** *“Bring them here to me,” he said.*

**19** *And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people.*



***20 They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. 21 The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.***



# Jesus' Compassion



*35 Jesus went through all the towns and villages, **teaching** in their synagogues, **preaching** the good news of the kingdom and **healing** every disease and sickness.*

*36 When **he saw the crowds, he had compassion** on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.*

*37 Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. <sup>38</sup> Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to **send out workers** into his harvest field.” Mt 9:35-38*



***Splanchnizomai***-- “to be deeply moved in one’s bowels”

***Def - “Compassion involves so identifying with the situation of others that one is prepared to act for their benefit”***



# MOVED BY COMPASSION

*“As God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, **clothe ourselves with Compassion...**” Col 3:12*





**1**

**YOU RISE ABOVE YOUR PERSONAL  
CIRCUMSTANCES *v13***



**2**

**YOU ARE ABLE TO SEE AS  
JESUS SAW *v14a***





Street kids



**3**

**YOU WORK THE  
SUPERNATURAL *v14b***



# 4

**YOU MEET THE NEEDS OF  
THE PEOPLE *v19-20***



## **When Moved by Compassion...**

- 1. You Rise Above Your Circumstances**
- 2. You See with Jesus Eyes**
- 3. You Work Miracles**
- 4. You Meet their Needs**

