



Crestwood Baptist Church September 3, 2017

COMPASSION:

A heartfelt response to the suffering of others that _____ me to in Jesus' name.

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' ³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord,

³⁷ Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?
³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' ⁴⁰ The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"
Matthew 25:34-40

THE POWER OF COMPASSION

TO MAKE AN IMPACT THROUGH MY COMPASSION...

• I WILL _____ GOD'S _

FOR ME.

"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love." - Psalm 145:8

• I WILL ______the

AROUND ME.

"When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things." - Mark 6:34

"I ask God...to make your eyes focused and clear, so you can see exactly what it is God is calling you to do..." - Ephesians 1:18 (MSG)

• I WILL TAKE _____ AND _____ OTHERS.

"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? ¹⁵ Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. ¹⁶ If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? ¹⁷ In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead."

- James 2:14-17

- 1) Give your time and get involved in a community service project.
- 2) Give of your treasure to help others.

• I WILL _____ A _____ LIFE.

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others."

- Philippians 2:3-4

"And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again." - 2 Corinthians 5:15

MAXIMUM IMPACT:

Memory Verse:

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"

- Matthew 25:40

My next step today is to...

□ Memorize Matthew 25:40.

Donate non-perishable food items and toiletries to our Food Bank.

Participate in Crestwood's hunger ministry to feed the less fortunate:
 Serving on the prep team _____ Serving on the transportation team

□ Accept the September Bible Challenge.

*Join us next Sunday, September 9, as we continue our *Impact* teaching series with *The Power of Generosity*.