

## Developing the Jesus-based Quality of Compassion

**Compassion:** intentionally ministering to the hurts of others

**Indifference:** unconcerned about and ignoring the hurts and needs of others

**Spiritual Disciplines:** intercession, listening to God

**Jesus:**

*When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. **Matthew 9:36***

*When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.*

**Matthew 14:14**

*Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. I do not want to send them away hungry, or they may collapse on the way." **Matthew 15:32***

*Jesus had compassion on them and touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed him. **Matthew 20:34***

*As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it. **Luke 19:41***

*Filled with compassion, Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cured. **Mark 1:41***

*When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry." **Luke 7:13***

*Jesus wept. **John 11:35***

**Indifference:**

*If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? **I John 3:17***

**Areas that require compassion:**

1. pursuing God
2. marriage
3. parenting
4. serving others
5. "second mile" ministry
6. praying for others
7. seeing a need
8. listening
9. loaning items
10. responding to requests

**Areas of indifference:**

1. selfishness
2. too busy
3. fear
4. Non-love
5. don't feel like helping

## Developing the Jesus-based Quality of Justice

**Justice:** being personally responsible to uphold what is pure, right, or true

**Corruption:** intentionally violating what is pure, right, or true

**Spiritual Disciplines:** intercession, listening to God

### Jesus:

Pointing others toward what is pure, right, or true:

#### With Satan:

*It is written: "Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." Matt 4:4*

*It is also written: "Do not put the Lord your God to the test." Matt 4:7*

*Away from me, Satan! For it is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only." Matt 4:10*

#### With Others:

*-If any one of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her. John 8:7*

*-Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You travel over land and sea to win a single convert, and when he becomes one, you make him twice as much a son of hell as you are. Matt 23:15*

*-Jesus turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the things of God, but the things of men." Matt 16:23*

### Corruption:

*When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. Matt 2:16*

### Areas that require justice:

1. pursuing God
2. marriage
3. parenting
4. serving others
5. mistreatment
6. bad behavior
7. seeing a need
8. being challenged
9. invitation to sin with others
10. clarifying truth

### Areas of corruption:

1. more fear than faith
2. impurity
3. immorality
4. lies
5. deception