

Compassion 01 – Sunday 2nd May 2021

Introduction

Today we are starting a new mini-series looking at compassion. We will see that compassion runs through the whole of the Bible

1. God was and is compassionate
2. Jesus was and is compassionate
3. Believers are called to be compassionate

Main Points of Sermon

God the Father is compassionate by virtue of His nature.
Jesus is compassionate by virtue of His nature.
As believers we the church are called to be compassionate.

Compassion is inter-personal.
For compassion to be roused there requires there to be a human need.
Compassion is when that need is met.

Definition of Compassion – it is a form of love or care, that is roused within a person when they see others suffering, in peril, in need or in lack. This compassion then leads the person to action to fulfil the need of the person they love or care for.

Jesus in healing the leper gives us a perfect picture of compassion in action.

Scriptures

Exodus 34 v 5 and 6
Luke 15 v 20
Hebrews 1 v 3
Colossians 3 v 12 to 14
Mark 1 v 40 to 42

Meditation Points

How would I define compassion?
Am I a compassionate person?
What is my compassion dependent upon?