

GOD'S DIVINE
APPOINTMENTS!

PERFECT
STORMS

LUKE 10: 30 - 37



Human Helplessness!

Situations, Circumstances &
Decisions That Require God's
Divine Intervention!

Represent the Opportunities God
Arranges For the Church (You) to
Intersect w/People In Need!



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Human Helplessness!

- Families Facing Sudden Disaster!
- Marriages – On the Verge of Divorce!
- Family Dysfunction (Relationships)!
- Death of a Loved One!
- Debilitating Health & Sickness!
- Homelessness! Poverty! Hunger!



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Human Helplessness!

- Emotional Issues (Depression; Loneliness; Anxiety; Anger; Unforgiveness)!
- Drug & Alcohol Addictions!
- Sexual Immorality (Fornication; Adultery; Homosexuality; Pornography)!
- Unique Situations (On the Job; Strangers)!



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Human Helplessness!

God Things!

We Are Powerless to Solve!
Require Divine Intervention!



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Teachings ... Series

- ✂ Compassion “Mile Wide but an Inch Deep!”
Part I & II
- ✂ Ministry of Dorcas - Power of a Fingerprint!
- ✂ The Art of Kindness & Goodness - Spelled
“Mephibosheth!”
- ✂ Jesus WEPT! ... “Go & Do Likewise!”



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There Will Be STORMs

John 16: 33

“In This Life (World) You Will Have Tribulations ... (Trials, Sorrows & Difficulties) - LIFE will be Hard! These Tribulations will be Unavoidable ... but be of Good Cheer (Courageous/Certain); I have Defeated the World's Power Over You!”



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Previous Teaching ... Week III

I. REAL Love & Compassion

a. What's Wrong w/People ... DNA!

i. Not Born With - Love & Compassion

a. Trained/Developed ... Put On!

II. REAL Love & Compassion

a. Meet Dorcas ... Ministry Provider!

i. Origin of Compassion - The HEART!



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Previous Teaching ... Week III

II. REAL Love & Compassion

b. Dorcas ... FINGERPRINTS of Compassion

i. Disciple of Jesus!

ii. Single Person - Used Gifts/Talents!

iii. Benevolent! (Full of Good Works)!



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Previous Teaching ... Week III

II. REAL Love & Compassion

b. Dorcas ... FINGERPRINTS of Compassion

iv. Modeled “Costly Grace!”

v. “Works & Faith”

vi. Evangelist!



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Power of Your Fingerprint

Your “Fingerprint” is Your Impression
of YOU (Your Identity & Distinctives)!

In Ministry – Your FINGERPRINTs
DO NOT FADE from the Lives of
People You Touch w/Love &
Compassion!



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Origin of Compassion - Heart

You Can be Charitable, Kind &
Merciful & Yet Be ... Emotionally &
Relationally Disconnected!

NOT Have **Compassion** in
Your HEART!



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Your Compassion Level?

You
REALLY
COMPASSIONATE?
COMPASSION-
METER



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Today's Teaching ... Week IV

I. Kindness/Goodness - God's Economy

a. Art of Kindness/Goodness ... Composition

i. Source - Christ/John 13; Holy Spirit!

ii. Those Who ... Desire - WANT TO!

iii. Who Needs Kindness/Goodness?

a. The Weak & Helpless!



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Today's Teaching ... Week IV

I. Kindness/Goodness - God's Economy

b. Art of Kindness/Goodness ... Anatomy!

i. Deeds in Action - "Khed'-sed!"

a. Others Ministry ... Foot Washing!

II. David & Mephibosheth - Church/World

a. Mephibosheth ... Weak & Helpless!

b. King David ... Body of Christ (You)!



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In God's Economy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness

Source ... John 13: 34

“A New Commandment I Give to
You, that you LOVE One Another -
Just as I have LOVED You!

“As I Have
LOVED You!”



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In God's Economy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness

Source - "As I Have Loved You!"

"Sincere & Benevolent Affection ...
for Others!

The Command to LOVE is Not
Optional but it's Not Automatic!

WANT TO - Desire!

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In God's Economy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness
Source - "As I Have Loved You!"

Colossians 3: 12

As God's Elect, Holy & Beloved PUT ON a
Heart of Compassion, Kindness, Humility,
Meekness & Longsuffering!

WANT TO - Desire!

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In God's Economy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness
Source - "As I Have Loved You!"

Phil 2: 4

Let Each of You Look Not Only to
His Own Interests, but Also to the
Interests of Others!

WANT TO - Desire!

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In God's Economy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness

Source ... The Holy Spirit
Sensitizes the HEART; Causes You
to Meet the Needs of Others!

Galatians 5: 22 - 23

“Fruit of the Spirit!”



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In God's Economy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness

Jesus Gave the Church a WARNING:

Matthew 24: 12

Because of So Much Evil & Sin in the
World, the LOVE of Many Believers
Will Wax (Grow) Cold!



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Spiritual Anatomy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness

Kindness ... S-Hebrew 2617 “kheh’-sed”
(Mercy, Faithfulness, Loving, Good Deeds).

Goodness ... S-Greek 19 “ä-gä-thō-sü’-nā”
(Uprightness of Heart – Kindness)



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Spiritual Anatomy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness

Kindness

Genuine Interest & Affection for the
Care of others! ... INNER Sensitivity
for the NEEDS of others.



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Spiritual Anatomy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness

Goodness

Kindness in ACTION ... Deliberate

DEEDs! Goodness Advances

Kindness! Personal & Up-close!



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Spiritual Anatomy

The Art of Goodness & Kindness

Other's Ministry

The Ultimate Expression of Kindness
& Goodness ... Servant-hood is
Washing Other's Feet!

Jesus Knew

Judas! Peter! Disciples!



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Kindness & Goodness

David's "Khed-sed" to Mephibosheth!

- ✘ David LOVED "As Christ-LOVED!"
- ✘ David was Gracious!
- ✘ David was GENUINE!
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- ✘ David WANTED TO! He Sought Mep!
- ✘ David Acted on Behalf of Jonathan!
- ✘ David "Adopted" Mephibosheth - Family!
- ✘ David Gave Mephibosheth "Wealth!"
- ✘ David Invited Him to the King's Table!



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Kindness & Goodness

David's "Khed-sed" to Mephibosheth!

What Would Have Happened
to Mephibosheth . . . If David
Hadn't Showed Him
Kindness & Goodness?



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Kindness & Goodness

- ☞ Are You Becoming More LIKE-Christ?
- ☞ Do You Act & Follow Through When Given the Perfect Storm (Opportunities)?
- ☞ Is There Someone You Should Be Caring For ... WASHING Their Feet?



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POWERPOINTs ... Series

✎ Your Compassion Has to Extend Beyond the Walls of SELF! Compassion is NOT Thinking Good Thoughts; Human Emotion (Feelings) & Uplifting Prayers!

Compassion is a Compulsion - An (Urgency) To Take ACTION!



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POWERPOINTs ... Series

- ✎ Jesus is **MOTION-SENSITIVE!** When You Move/Draw Near To People With Compassion, Jesus Will Respond - He'll Move/Draw Near (Blessings/Favor)!
- ✎ You Can Impress From a Distance, but You Can Only Impact People Up-Close!



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Objectives/Focus ... Series

- How Far Are You Willing to Go - to Step into the STORMS of People in Need?
- Who's My Neighbor? Who Should You Render Love & Care to?
- ✗ No One Has Ever Loved His Neighbor as Himself! However, Jesus Commands it!



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Objectives/Focus ... Series

- ☞ The Church is Supposed to “Feel” What God “Feels” for the World; the Most Powerful Gift to the World is LOVE!
- ☞ What Motivates Your Compassion . . .
Is it Momentary Emotions or a Sincere Heartfelt Desire to HELP Others (Needs)!



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POWERPOINTs ... Series

✎ The Testimony the Church Provides to the Hurting Regarding the STORMs of Life

Are:

- God is Always in Control!
- God Will Never Leave You!
- God Will Always Take Care of You!



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Compassion - Good Samaritan

Good Samaritans:

- Missionaries! Rescuers!
- Responders! Givers!
- Comforters! Peace-Makers!
- Encouragers! Reconcilers!



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Foundation Scriptures

Acts 10: 38

“God Anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with Power; He went about Doing Good and Healing All who were Harassed & Oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him!”



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Foundation Scriptures

Isaiah 58: 10

“Feed (offer yourselves) those who are hungry and take care of the needs of those who are afflicted & oppressed ... then your light will shine in the darkness, and the darkness around you shall be as bright as day!”!



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Foundation Scriptures

Hebrews 13: 16

Do Not NEGLECT to DO GOOD &
to Share What You Have ... for Such
Sacrifices are Pleasing to God!”



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Foundation Scriptures

James 2: 15 - 16

“If a Brother or Sister is Poorly Clothed & Lacking in Daily Food, and One of You Says to Them, “Go in Peace, be Warmed & Filled” Without Giving Them the Things Needed for the Body, What Good is that?”



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