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part #1

"To this you were called, because Chris suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps." ~ 1 Peter 2:21

called: *kaleo* (kal-eh'-o); to "call", bid, call (forth).

- YOU ARE CALLED TO **CARE**.

I have no one else like Timothy, who genuinely cares about your welfare. 21 All the others care only for themselves and not for what matters to Jesus Christ. ~ Phil 2:20-21 NLT

- TO SAY YOU **CARE** BUT NOT ACT IS TO NOT **CARE** AT ALL.

TRUE COMPASSION DEMANDS **ACTION**

Compassion: *splagchnizomai* (splangkh-nid'-zom-ahee); to have the bowels yearn, feel deep sympathy, to be moved to **action**.

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ~ Matt 14:14

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THE STORY OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ~ Luke 10:29

In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. 32 So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ~ Luke 10:30-32

- YOU WILL ALWAYS HAVE AN **EXCUSE** TO JUSTIFY NOT GETTING INVOLVED.

COMPASSION

1) **INCONVENIENCES.**

But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. ~ Luke 10:33-34

2) **COSTS.**

The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.' ~ Luke 10:35

3) **CHANGES LIVES.**

"Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" 37 The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise." ~ Luke 10:36-37

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Discussion Questions

- 1) True compassion acts. To say you care but not act is to not care at all. Was there a time you know you should have acted to help someone, but didn't? Explain.

- 2) You can always make an excuse not to get involved. Even if an act of love inconveniences or costs you, what is an immediate need you can meet for someone around you?

- 3) What are some things you/God can change to grow your compassion?

