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Learning compassion from Jesus.

Read Mark 6:30-34

1. What were the 3 areas Allan spoke of that shaped Jesus responses to people and situations?

(Answer- See, Feel, Do as Jesus did , this is the shape of compassion.)

How are they seen in this passage?

2. DO

What were Jesus plans and why?

When have you recently changed your plans to accommodate the needs of others.

What did you do.?What was the outcome?

3. Why do we sometimes find it hard to displace our own interests, open our lives to others and so enfold others in need with resources so they are enabled?

4. When you see yourself as prompted and resourced by the Spirit of God how can this change your responses.

Do you therefore see yourself as resource rich?Explain.

5. FEEL

Jesus was often around a variety of people and circumstances. He was often moved by these encounters.

How would you describe the variety of people and circumstances you encounter.

What is your response to those in need you encounter?

Is your heart open or closed, hard or soft? (may just wish to reflect personally)

How can we allow God to reign over our emotions and responses?

6 How does it help you when you encounter people's circumstances and challenges to know Jesus entered our fallen world but did not himself sin.

7. SEE

Jesus saw helpless harassed people as needing a shepherd, King or leader.

When we see people this way, how does it help us not to judge them.

8 . Who in your street , community , work environment do you see as needing a shepherd ? Can you see this affecting your feelings and therefore actions(doing).

9. Our culture presses against our Christian convictions. When you see people with compassion how can it help you to respond with Gods love and care instead of judgement or compromising our convictions.

10. This message of seeing , feeling, doing as Jesus did can shape our compassion. How does it leave you feeling.

