

FREEDOM TO EXPRESS COMPASSION

**COMPASSION = THE EXPRESSED STRENGTH OF CHARACTER
THAT MOVES US TO ENTER THE PAIN OF OTHERS**

3 STEPS - IN EXPRESSING COMPASSION

STEP #1- LOOK AND SEE THE NEED

Matthew 9:36-38 NIV

"When HE SAW THE CROWDS, HE HAD COMPASSION on them, because they were HARASSED and HELPLESS, like sheep without a shepherd. Then HE said to His disciples, 'The HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL but the WORKERS ARE FEW. Ask the LORD OF THE HARVEST, therefore, TO SEND OUT WORKERS INTO HIS HARVEST FIELD."

STEP #2- DO SOMETHING

Mark 1:40-42 NIV

A man with leprosy came to Him and begged Him on his knees, 'If You are willing, You can make me clean.' 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.

STEP #3- REFLECT GOD'S GLORY

2 Corinthians 3:18 NLT

"And as THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD WORKS WITHIN US, we become MORE AND MORE LIKE HIM and REFLECT HIS GLORY EVEN MORE."

Matthew 10:42 NLT

"And if you give even a CUP OF COLD WATER to one of the least of MY FOLLOWERS, YOU WILL SURELY BE REWARDED."

John 12:26 NIV

WHOEVER SERVES ME must FOLLOW ME; and WHERE I AM, my servant also will be. MY FATHER WILL HONOR the ONE WHO SERVES ME.