



Loved what you heard on Sunday? Want to go deeper? The life group study guide will help you unpack what you heard on Sunday while diving deeper into God's word.

Life Group Study Guide

1. *This week we learned about compassion. What is your favorite story about compassion? It could be from a book, a movie, or real life.*
2. *What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye opening, or troubling? Explain.*
3. *All of us grew up in different households. Would you describe the household you grew up in as compassionate? In what ways was compassion displayed? In what ways was there a lack of compassion?*
4. *In the message Jason discussed the cost of compassion. What are some of the costs of compassion? What is the biggest cost for you?*

5. *The bible is filled with stories on compassion. In the book of Ruth, found in the Old Testament, we hear a story of a widowed woman, Ruth, who chooses to care for her mother in law, Naomi, who has lost her husband and all of her sons. Read Ruth 2 and write down any insights, questions, or key observations you had from the text.*
6. *In what ways did Ruth show compassion to Naomi? What was the cost of Ruth's compassion?*
7. *In what ways did Boaz show compassion to Ruth? What was the cost of Boaz's compassion?*
8. *In what ways does this story reveal God's compassion for us?*

Digging Deeper

1. *Do you consider yourself compassionate? What things naturally evoke your compassion? Are there things that are difficult for you to show compassion to?*
2. *What things get in the way of you showing compassion? Is there anything in your life that needs to change?*



KALEO – PART I “CALLED TO COMPASSION”

Matthew 4: 21-22 *Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.*

1 Peter 2:21 (NIV), *“To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps,”*

I AM CALLED TO FOLLOW JESUS

What does it look like to follow in Jesus’ footsteps today?

ASA FOLLOWER OF JESUS I AM CALLED TO CARE

Philippians 2:20-21 *I have no one else like him, who will show genuine concern for your welfare. ²¹ For everyone looks out for their own interests, not those of Jesus Christ.*

**TO SAY YOU CARE BUT NOT TO ACT,
IS TO NOT CARE AT ALL**

Compassion = Splanchnizomai: *To have the bowels yearn, to feel deep sympathy, to be moved to action*

- *Matthew 14:14, Matthew 20:34, Mark 6:33-34*

**JESUS WILL LEAD ME TO CARE ABOUT SOME THINGS BUT
NOT ALL THINGS.**

Luke 10:29-37 ²⁹ *But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”* ³⁰ *In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by 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.*

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

THREE REALITIES OF COMPASSION

1. COMPASSION INTERRUPTS

Luke 10:33-34 ³³ *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, brought him to an inn and took care of him.*

2. COMPASSION COSTS

Luke 10:35 *The next day he took out two denarii 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.’*

3. COMPASSION CHANGES LIVES