

The Faith-Filled Catholic Women's Bible Study Program

Participant's Worksheet

Compassion

Insert B-1 through B-4

You can prepare for the discussions about the theme **Compassion** by thinking about how you might answer the following questions:

What is compassion?

What is the difference between compassion and sympathy?

Share an instance when someone showed me compassion?

Read Luke 10:29-37 (Page 1112).

What are the parallels to the story of the Good Samaritan in today's society?

What is a recent opportunity I have had to respond to someone in need?

What was the situation? How did I respond?

If I failed to respond to the person in need, what were my reasons? How did I feel?

Read Matthew 15:32 (Page 1034).

What does this demonstration of compassion by Jesus teach us about being sensitive to other's needs?

How does this lesson apply to me as an individual or to us as a society?

Group Prayer - My intentions for group prayer this week:

Music Reflection/Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, in your goodness you taught us by the feeding of the four thousand that we should constantly remain aware of the needs of others in the world around us. Inspire us to respond like the Good Samaritan at every opportunity sharing love and compassion in imitation of you as we pray: (pray antiphonally Psalm 145).

My personal response in Compassion for this week - Sign up with one of your children or another family member or another woman to work a shift at a neighborhood kitchen, homeless shelter or mission for the needy. When there, go out of your way to visit with one of the people in imitation of the Good Samaritan.

Other Scripture on **Compassion**:

Deuteronomy 30:3 (Page 189) * 1 Samuel 23:21 (Page 265) * 2 Kings 13:23 (Page 333)

2 Chronicles 36:15 (Page 403) * Micah 7:19 (Page 969) * Matthew 14:14 (Page 1032)

Matthew 18:33 (Page 1040) * Mark 1:41 (Page 1067) * Mark 9:22 (Page 1078)

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