TODAY'S MESSAGE:

THE

COMPASSION OFJESUS MATTHEW 6:1-4

MESSAGE SERIES: FOLLOWING JESUS

Not "IF" but "WHEN" you help those in need.

"So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full." Mark 2:2 "Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven."

Mark 2:1

"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other peoplerobbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get." "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Luke 18:10-14



Our faith in Jesus combined with His compassion for others can and will make a difference in our world...

For the glory of God!

LET ME GIVE ...



FOOD TO THE HUNGRY! WATER TO THE THIRSTY! SHELTER TO THE HOMELESS! **RELIEF TO THE REFUGEE!** AID TO THE ORPHAN! **FREEDOM TO THE CAPTIVE!** JUSTICE TO THE OPPRESSED! **MERCY TO THE BROKEN!** GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR! **HEALING TO THE SICK! COMFORT TO THE DISTRESSED! CONSOLATION TO THE LONELY!** HOPE TO THE HOPELESS!

WHATEVER YOU DID FOR THE LEAST OF THESE BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF MINE YOU DID FOR ME.

MATTHEW 25:40

"Being on a stretcher is not what destroys people. Rather, it is being on a stretcher and feeling that no one cares." He goes on to write, "Everyone needs stretcher bearers - friends who will carry you when you are at your weakest, friends who not only pray for you but will do whatever it takes to help you get back on your feet."

- Dan Van Ommen "Stretcher Bearers"

We need each other To be there for each other!

1 John 4

⁷ Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹ This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. ¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

> ¹¹ Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.