

## Mercy Shows Compassion

Miracle of Mercy – Part 4

*“The Lord is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.”* Psalm 116:5 (NIV)

### To be compassionate...

*(Luke 10:30-35)*

#### ...I must be aware.

*“Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him.”* vs. 33 (NLT)

*“I look for someone to come and help me, but no one gives me a passing thought...no one cares a bit what happens to me.”* Psalm 142:4 (NIV)

#### ...I must set aside my agenda.

*“A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers...”* vs. 30 (NIV)

*“We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters.”* 1 John 3:16 (NLT)

#### ...I must meet practical needs first.

*“The Samaritan went to him, poured olive oil and wine on his wounds, and bandaged them...”* vs. 34a (NCV)

*“Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,’ but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?”* James 2:15-16 (NIV)

#### ...I must get personally involved.

*“Then he put the hurt man on his own donkey and took him to an inn where he cared for him. The next day, the Samaritan brought out two coins, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of this man. If you spend more money on him, I will pay it back to you when I come again.’”* vs. 34b-35 (NLT)

*“Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.”* 1 Thessalonians 2:8 (NIV)

*“Your soul is nourished when you are kind...”* Proverbs 11:17 (TLB)