

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 119 NT).

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 40 NT).

What does this demonstration of compassion by Jesus teach us about being sensitive to others' 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 on page 699 OT).

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 217 OT) * 1 Samuel 23:21 (Page 301 OT) * 2 Kings 13:23 (Page 378 OT)

2 Chronicles 36:15 (Page 499 NT) * Micah 7:19 (Page 1102 OT) * Matthew 14:14 (Page 38 NT)

Matthew 18:33 (Page 46 NT) * Mark 1:41 (Page 74 NT) * Mark 9:22 (Page 85 NT)