

Comfort for His People

Lesson by Mark Householder
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20 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, **21** to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

* **Compassion and Mercy**

• **Luke 10:20-37**

20 "Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven."

21 At that very time He rejoiced greatly in the Holy Spirit, and said, "I praise You, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent and have revealed them to infants. Yes, Father, for this way was well-pleasing in Your sight.

33 "But a Samaritan, who was on a journey, came upon him; and when he saw him, he felt compassion,

34 and came to him and bandaged up his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them; and he put him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn and took care of him.

35 "On the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper and said, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I return I will repay you.'

36 "Which of these three do you think proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell into the robbers' hands?"

37 And he said, "The one who showed mercy toward him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do the same."

* **“Comfort”**

• **2 Corinthians 1:3-7**

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,

4 who comforts us in all our affliction so that we will be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

5 For just as the sufferings of Christ are ours in abundance, so also our comfort is abundant through Christ.

6 But if we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; or if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which is effective in the patient enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer;

7 and our hope for you is firmly grounded, knowing that as you are sharers of our sufferings, so also you are sharers of our comfort.

*** Comfort and Gaining Strength**

Isaiah 40:

1 "Comfort, O comfort My people," says your God.

8 The grass withers, the flower fades,
But the word of our God stands forever.

31 Yet those who wait for the LORD
Will gain new strength;
They will mount up with wings like
eagles,
They will run and not get tired,
They will walk and not become weary.

*** "who mourn" 4**

Matthew 5:4

4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

*** "compassion" 107**

Exodus 34:6

6 Then the LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth;

1 Thessalonians 3:7

7 for this reason, brethren, in all our distress and affliction we were comforted about you through your faith;

2 Thessalonians 2:16, 17

16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal comfort and good hope by grace, **17** comfort and strengthen your hearts in every good work and word.

Philemon 1:7

7 For I have come to have much joy and comfort in your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, brother.

According to Your compassion

• Job 8:

And implore the compassion of the Almighty,

• Psalms 25:6

6 Remember, O LORD, Your compassion and Your lovingkindnesses,

• Nehemiah 1:11

11 "O Lord, I beseech You, may Your ear be attentive to the prayer of Your servant and the prayer of Your servants who delight to revere Your name, and make Your servant successful today and grant him compassion before this man " Now I was the cupbearer to the king.

• Nehemiah 9:31

31 "Nevertheless, in Your great compassion You did not make an end of them or forsake them,

For You are a gracious and compassionate God.

• Psalms 51:According

According to the greatness of Your compassion blot out my transgressions.

• Psalms 69:

According to the greatness of Your compassion, turn to me,

• Psalms 72:13

13 He will have compassion on the poor and needy,

• Psalms 78:38

38 But He, being compassionate, forgave their iniquity and did not destroy them;

• Psalms 79:

Let Your compassion come quickly to meet us,

• Psalms 103:

Who crowns you with lovingkindness and compassion;

8 The LORD is compassionate and gracious,

13 Just as a father has compassion on his children,

So the LORD has compassion on those who fear Him.

• Nehemiah 13:22

22 And I commanded the Levites that they should purify themselves and come as gatekeepers to sanctify the sabbath day For this also remember me, O my God, and have compassion on me according to the greatness of Your lovingkindness.

• 1 Samuel 23:21

21 Saul said, "May you be blessed of the LORD, for you have had compassion on me.

• Matthew 9:13, 36; c.f. Mt. 12:7

13 "But go and learn what this means: 'I DESIRE COMPASSION, AND NOT SACRIFICE,' for I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

36 Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd.

• Matthew 14:14

14 When He went ashore, He saw a large crowd, and felt compassion for them and healed their sick.

• Matthew 18:27

27 "And the lord of that slave felt compassion and released him and forgave him the debt.

• Matthew 20:34

34 Moved with compassion, Jesus touched their eyes; and immediately they regained their sight and followed Him.

• Mark 1:41

41 Moved with compassion, Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, "I am willing; be cleansed."

• **Isaiah 61:1-2**

1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,
Because the LORD has anointed me
To bring good news to the afflicted;
He has sent me to bind up the
brokenhearted,
To proclaim liberty to captives
And freedom to prisoners;
2 To proclaim the favorable year of the
LORD
And the day of vengeance of our God;
To comfort all who mourn,

• **Deuteronomy 32:36**

36 "For the LORD will vindicate His
people,
And will have compassion on His
servants,
When He sees that their strength is
gone,
And there is none remaining, bond
or free

• **1 Thessalonians 4:18**

¹³ But we do not want you to be
uninformed, brothers *and sisters*, about
those who **U**are asleep, so that you will not
grieve as indeed the rest *of mankind do*,
who have no hope. ¹⁴ For if we believe that
Jesus died and rose *from the dead*, so also
God will bring with Him those who have
fallen asleep **U**through Jesus. ¹⁵ For we say
this to you by the word of the Lord, that
we who are alive **U**and remain until the
coming of the Lord will not precede those
who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord

Himself will descend from heaven with a
Ushout, with the voice of *the* archangel
and with the trumpet of God, and the dead
in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are
alive, who remain, will be caught up
together with them in the clouds to meet
the Lord in the air, and so we will always
be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore, **U**comfort
one another with these words.

• **Philippians 2:1-2**

1 Therefore if there is any encouragement in
Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if
there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any
affection and compassion,
2 make my joy complete by being of the same
mind, maintaining the same love, united in
spirit, intent on one purpose.

• **Colossians 3:12**

12 So, as those who have been chosen of
God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of
compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness
and patience;

• **1 Thessalonians 3:7**

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• 2 Thessalonians 2:16, 17

¹³ But we should always give thanks to God for you, brothers *and sisters* beloved by the Lord, because God has chosen you ^[r]from the beginning for salvation ^[s]through sanctification ^[u]by the Spirit and faith in the truth. ¹⁴ It was for this He called you through our gospel, ^[u]that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers *and sisters*, stand firm and hold on to the traditions which you were taught, whether by word *of mouth* or by letter ^[v]from us.

¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who has loved us and given us eternal comfort and good hope by grace, ¹⁷ comfort and strengthen your hearts in every good work and word.

• Philemon 1:7

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the saints have been refreshed through you, brother.

• James 5:11

¹¹ We count those blessed who endured You have heard of the endurance of Job and have seen the outcome of the Lord's dealings, that the Lord is full of compassion and is merciful.

* the afflicted, 35

• 2 Corinthians 2:7

⁷ so that on the contrary you should rather forgive and comfort him, otherwise such a one might be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow.

• 2 Corinthians 13:11

¹¹ Finally, brethren, rejoice, be made complete, be comforted, be like-minded, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.

• Ephesians 6:22

²² I have sent him to you for this very purpose, so that you may know about us, and that he may comfort your hearts.