



Matthew 9:35-36 (NIV) ³⁵Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. ³⁶When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

1. I Will Have Compassion on People Who Have Been Wounded by Divorce.

But *whoever* drinks the water I give him will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life. (John 4:14)

2. I Will Have Compassion on People Who Have Been Wounded by Disaster.

I have *compassion* for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. (Mark 8:2)

Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with *actions* and in truth. (1 John 3:18)

3. I Will Have Compassion on People Who Have Been Wounded by Discrimination.

But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, *he took pity on him*. (Luke 10:33)

4. I Will Have Compassion on People Who Have Been Wounded by Death.

Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out – the only son of his mother, and she was a widow...When the Lord saw her, *his heart went out to her* and he said, “Don’t cry.” Then he went up and touched the coffin, and those carrying it stood still. He said, “young man, I say to you, get up!” and Jesus gave him back to his mother. (Luke 7:11-15)

But now that he is dead, why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him, but he will not return to me. (2 Samuel 12:23)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; *the old has gone, the new has come!* (2 Corinthians 5:17)

I am wounded because _____

Want to Go Deeper?

- Memorize Matthew 9:36.
- Continue saying the two great commandments every morning and every evening this week. Make every decision in light of loving God and loving others.
- Make a deliberate effort to show compassion to the people that you encounter.
- If you are ready to accept God’s invitation to a new life, let us know and we will help you with next steps.
- Read *And He Had Compassion* by William Barclay.

Please let us know the commitments you are making to God by using the Communication Card. We will pray for you!