

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## ACCEPTING THE LOVE OF GOD

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## PART 2: THE COMPASSION OF JESUS

### THE GOOD SAMARITAN

The story of the good Samaritan and the wounded man is known by most Christians but I want to look at this story from a different perspective. Jesus had a running battle with the Jewish leadership since they had rejected Him as the Messiah. **John 1:10-11**

The story begins when a lawyer tempted Jesus. **Luke 10:25**

Jesus showed compassion and did not respond to the man's evil intent; instead, He engaged the lawyer with a story. **verses 26-37**

Luke does not tell us if the lawyer accepted the teaching of Jesus but we can learn the following great truths:

1. The Samaritan got personally involved in aiding the injured man.
2. He transported the wounded man to an inn and paid for his care.
3. The Samaritan was willing to commit to a long term recovery of the injured man until he was healed and able to make it on his own.

Jesus stated, "*Go and do likewise.*" **verse 37**

Jesus was committed to a long term engagement for the people in need. Some people are healed instantly and others gradually. Some have emotional injuries which Jesus understands and He will take the time to make sure that every believer in Christ receives the care they need.

### THE WITHERED HAND

Until Jesus came, the Pharisees could not have cared less that one of their members in the synagogue had a deformed hand. They had no compassion *and* did not have the power to heal the man's deformed hand. **Matthew 12:9-13**

The man with the withered hand didn't have to ask to be healed; instead, Jesus saw the need and healed the man with compassion.

Satan and his followers hated what Jesus did and plotted how to kill him. **verse 14**

Jesus knows your needs and is in the process of taking care of the problem. It might not be done in your timing or on your terms but Jesus will take care of all your needs because that is part of His nature. **John 10:7-15; 27-30**

God has all things under control. **Matthew 10:28-31**



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## **THE DAUGHTER OF JAIRUS**

Not all the Jewish rulers were against Jesus. Jairus was a ruler of a synagogue, when he realized that his daughter was dying, he decided to seek the help of Jesus, regardless of what the Jewish leadership thought. **Luke 8:41-42**

When he was done talking to Jesus, a messenger brought news that his daughter had died and that he should no longer trouble Jesus. **verse 49**

There was a large crowd with personal needs around Jesus but He had compassion on Jairus and wanted to go to his house anyway. **verse 50**

Jesus was met with unbelief, scorn and rejection at Jairus' home. **verses 51-53**

Jesus removed all the people from the home and then raised the girl from the dead. **verses 54-56**

## **SUMMARY**

Most Christians underestimate Jesus because of our sinful nature and constant shortcomings, and whether we like to admit it or not, we transfer our personality and thinking to Jesus, and remove Jesus from being God and make Him into a helpless being who is not able to help and minister to us.

We have done what the heathens and Israelites did; they created their own gods which were made in the image of themselves. **Exodus 32:1-8**

Contemporary Christian leaders have created a god that fits their mindset; as a result, Jesus has been relegated to a deity that works like an ATM machine and the Holy Spirit is totally ignored.

Let Jesus be the Messiah that conquered sin and death and is sitting on the throne of God, waiting to do the work He loves to do. **Acts 10:38**

***Are you willing to accept Jesus' compassion for you?***

***He is waiting for your response.***

***Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!***

***Do you have an ear to hear with?***