



LIFEGROUPS

Series: *Rethink*
Message: *Rethinking*
Compassion

Scripture: *Mark 6:30-56*

Date: February 2-3, 2019

—[LET'S START]—

This week, Pastor Brian talked about compassion. What comes to mind when you hear the word compassion? Who are some of the most compassionate people that you know?

—[LET'S TALK]—

1. In his message this week, Pastor Brian talked about the way that so many of us are prone to think in a negative way. He then talked about the need that we have to reset our thinking. Read 1 Corinthians 2:16, Romans 12:1-2, and Philippians 2:5-11.

What do these verses teach us about resetting our thinking?

2. Read Mark 6:30-44. What do these verses teach us about Jesus? What do they teach us about people?
3. In his sermon, Pastor Brian said, "compassion for the needs of others ought to compel us to trust that God can take what we have, small as it may seem, and multiply it in ways that we can hardly imagine." How have you seen God use the gifts that He has given you to be a blessing to others?

4. Read Mark 6:45-52. What do these verses teach us about Jesus? What do we learn about people?

How do you see the compassion of Christ in these verses? What about the power of Christ?

Why do you think the disciples didn't recognize Jesus when He was walking on water? Why do you think the disciples' hearts did not understand the significance of the feeding of the 5000?

5. Read Mark 6:53-56. Think about all that the disciples and Jesus had experienced over the past 24 hours. How did Jesus and the disciples bring hope to Gennesaret? How does Wooddale Church bring the hope of Jesus to our community?

—[LET'S ACT]—

Pastor Brian gave us four takeaways to practice this week:

- By God's help, I aim daily to practice thinking with the mind of Christ.
- By God's help, I aim daily to practice seeing and responding to people with the compassion of Christ.
- By God's help, I aim daily to practice seeing what God has already blessed me with, so I may bless others.
- By God's help, I aim daily to bring the hope of Jesus wherever I go.

What is one way that our LifeGroup could bring the hope of Jesus to our community over the next month?

Let's pray that God would help us to live in such a way that we pursue the mind of Christ and display the compassion of Christ.

—[SERMON REVIEW]—

- We all have thinking patterns.
- If our RESET is going to stick, then we need to RESET our thinking too.
- We can have the mind of Christ.
- Our attitudes should be the same as Christ Jesus had.
- As much as these men needed some time away in spiritual retreat, Jesus knew that there was something that they needed even more than a retreat. They needed to be stretched and challenged. They needed to come to the ends of themselves. They needed to see people the way that Christ sees people. They needed to experience a miracle that they could not have imagined.
- Compassion for the needs of others ought to compel us to trust that God can take what we have, small as it may seem, and multiply it in ways that we can hardly imagine.
- God loves to use ordinary people and ordinary things to do His extraordinary work!
- Jesus and the disciples brought hope wherever they went.

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