

BIG IDEA

True compassion moves you to action.

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO KNOW?

Share about a time when you witnessed extraordinary compassion. What stands out to you about this experience?

Read Exodus 34:6. Based on this passage, how would you define the word *compassion*?

Read Acts 3:1-10 a few times silently to yourself. Where would you come across someone like the lame man at the Beautiful Gate? How would people typically respond to him? Can you tell this story as if it were happening today in your community?

Re-read Acts 3:4. What is significant about the fact that Peter and John looked at the man?

How did Peter and John offer the man dignity, healing, and hope?

WHAT IS MY INITIAL REACTION?

How have you personally experienced the compassion of God?

What keeps you from seeing the deeper needs of people in your life?

Where in your life are you in need of dignity, healing, or hope?

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?

How did God speak to you specifically during the weekend service? How are you going to respond?

Reflect on Exodus 34:6 one more time. Would the people closest to you use these same words to describe you? Why or why not?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:19-20. How is God calling you to move from ordinary compassion into extraordinary compassion?

How could your Life Group go beyond your normal schedule to show compassion to your community on a regular basis?

