



————— ≈ *Communion Sunday: The God of Compassion* ≈ —————

**Date:** August 30, 2020

**Primary Biblical text:** Matthew 20:29-34

**Memory Verse:** Matthew 20:32 *Jesus stopped and called them. “What do you want me to do for you?” he asked.*

**Additional Scripture:** Matthew 15:32, Philippians 2:6-7, Colossians 3:12-13, 2 Corinthians 1:3-4  
Ephesians 1:17-19, Philippians 3:8-11, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

**Reading for next week:** Acts 6:8-15

————— ≈ *Reflection and Discussion Notes* ≈ —————

† Have you ever struggled believing God is good?

† The Son of David

† Jesus was incredibly stern toward the legalism and hypocrisy of Israel’s religious rulers, but deeply COMPASSIONATE to the hurting people of Israel.

† Today’s story, and other Gospel stories like them, have been described as the INTERRUPTED ministry of Jesus

† Jesus was passing by...

† A remarkable contrast

† An obvious question.

† Moved with compassion

† How does Jesus show His compassion in our world today? He does so through US.

† Jesus' question to you