

And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

- Exodus 33:19

Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you; therefore he will rise up to show you compassion. For the LORD is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him!

- Isaiah 30:18

They will neither hunger nor thirst, nor will the desert heat or the sun beat down on them. He who has compassion on them will guide them and lead them beside springs of water.

- Isaiah 49:10

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

- 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves,

- Philippians 2:1-3



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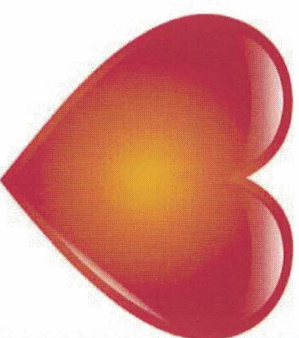


A Heart of Compassion

Because of God's Plan of Salvation for mankind we are well aware of the compassion God holds for us and the understanding He carries that all of us still have much to learn. Throughout scripture God speaks of us as children who He hopes are transitioning to adults. For example, in 1 Corinthians 13:11 God explains: "When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: But when I became a man, I put away childish things."

Throughout scripture, our Heavenly Father teaches us that He has a great understanding of our childish ways and desires us to put these things "away" so we can become the Bride of Christ. God speaks of us as those who must develop into a worthy Bride for His Son. In Ephesians 5:22-24: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, And be renewed in the spirit of your mind."

Christ too, has demonstrated that He carries a great understanding of our emotions and our failures thus our need for development. Scripture quotes Christ as saying: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do" in Luke 23:34 and then Ephesians 5:15-17 we learn: See then that ye walk circumspectly; not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is."



Christ can fully understand us and why we fail because He too lived through every human experience and every human emotion. He is described in scripture as a "Man of sorrows, acquainted with grief" (Isaiah 53:3) What this teaches us is that we are asked to develop a Christ-like compassion and understanding for others. This can be difficult because until we can rid ourselves of the terrestrial body we remain connected to an Adam-like nature which is highly sensitive, suspicious, demanding and desiring to always be "right" and our challenger "wrong".

All of these Adam-like attitudes prevent us from learning. They prevent change and preclude our having an open mind. More importantly they prevent us from having an open heart and a compassionate heart which allows us to see clearly, change our opinion, admit to an error or accept a rebuke. Satan is the instigator of the Adam-like nature. But God offers us the means by which we can shed the Adam-like nature and develop the Christ-like nature which is pleasing to God and demonstrates the move from child to adult to "bride".

Scripture clearly states in Hosea 4:6 that God does not "know" (acknowledge) those who refuse to learn. "My people are destroyed from lack of knowledge." Satan uses this lack of knowledge to mislead us. Satan wants us to become angry, hurt, full of vengeance. He wants us to blame others for our failures, and to reject the truth so we will not grow into the Bride of Christ nor help others to do so. Satan wants to prevent us from obtaining God's blessing and certainly prevent us from seeking the truth before rendering a judgment or bearing false witness. While God wants us to gain a compassionate heart, a forgiving nature, have a willingness to learn and to not judge, Satan works to create the opposite in us.

Thus we must ask ourselves what causes a person to retreat to judgments, to bearing false witness and how do these activities tie into a lack of knowledge? We must ask ourselves why we are so angry and desire vengeance when we are challenged in our judgments or in the false claims we make. What causes someone to become easily angered, vehement in defending a position despite an inability to prove that position? Why does someone condemn others for their opinion yet want their own opinion valued? Why might someone become angry if they can defend their position?

The answer to this question shows us why God asks us to be patient, to be compassionate, to be more understanding, and to wait until He, through our prayers, can open the door to the truths God wants us to know. Teaching without anger or condemnation and bringing forth information without making anyone angry or feel personally attacked shows us why Christ taught in parables. In story form, few people were brought to anger through His words yet kept them in memory until they understood how those words might apply to them.

There are many who have lived through a past experience which was so painful that even if they "felt" that they might be wrong, or are challenged in their assumptions, they panic and are brought back to their earlier experience. Some may suffer from a Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSS) which triggers a violent emotion when the possibility of a threat appears. Threats may not be in the form of action but in the form of an emotion as well. Some possess an ego so fragile that they become frightened by the thought of being wrong about something.

These emotions may indicate a form of pride. And God tells us that pride is a sin. Proverbs 16:18 tells us: "Pride goeth by destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall." To save "face" or protect one's pride from being found in error says that they do not care about the truth but latch onto an emotional decision. Some seek support in a "group" to whom they will be loyal and thus adopt their values. Some do not have the courage to challenge those who bring them the truth so encourage others to do it for them. There are, of course, many other reasons for people to react adversely when challenged.

God wants us to understand that for many there may be what they strongly feel is a "valid" reason why they react to being challenged and cannot admit to being wrong. But for all these reasons, those who bring the truth, offer the information must find the compassion in our heart to forgive their initial reaction. As God's children, once we make an effort to teach, to state our position and then encounter anger or vengeance, we cannot respond in kind. We must instead, walk away from further debate and pray for that soul. If they are of a religious bent themselves, God can work on their hearts to open their eyes to their personal behavior, and perhaps even give them the understanding they require regarding their

false judgments. This later introspection is the miracle of teaching in Parables.

"Winning" through anger and power does not create a beautiful heart either in the person bringing information or the person receiving information. We must remember that free will was given to man so they could decide for themselves between good and evil. So they could learn that love conquers all; that God is love. Thus they begin to act from the heart, voluntarily, with passion and love. We were drawn to God, to the scriptures, to the desire to become a part of the Bride of Christ by the experience of being loved by our Heavenly Father. God loved us so much and was so patient with our childhood in evil, that our hearts were changed. Thus we must provide love to others. This is the best testimony for the plan of salvation God offers us which He has freely given us and which we should freely give to others.

Luke 21:36 tells us "Watch ye therefore, and pray always that ye may be accounted worthy to escape these things that shall come to pass." And Matthew 24:21 warns: "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world, to this time, nor shall ever be."

God in His incredible love and compassion offers Mankind the opportunity to become the Bride of Christ. The Bride will live forever without sin, without sorrow or tears and with Christ and the Father in the City of God in the new Heaven and Earth God is creating for our future. This new world will be so beautiful that it will seem as if the streets are paved in God and the Sun is brighter than we'd ever known. It is worth the lessons, the struggles, the overcoming and will be forever!

Colossians 1: 10 says: "That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of the Lord."

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

- Colossians 3:12