

## Pursue: Women Pursuing Christ Through His Word 2020-2021 Lecture Notes December 1, 2020 Genesis Chpt 43-44

## **Moved with Compassion**

"and may God Almighty grant you compassion ..." Genesis 43:14a

The Hebrew word used here for compassion is rachamim (Strong's 7356) meaning "bowels; mercies; compassion" **" <b>the womb,</b>
or tender love. Joseph demonstrates this in Genesis 43:30
KJV, "And Joseph made haste; for his bowels did yearn upon his brother." In
the ESV "Then Joseph hurried out, for his compassion grew warm for his
brother"
I. Joseph is revealed as a of Compassion
1. He wept when he to his brothers confessing their guilt
Gen.45:1-2
2. He wept when he his brother Benjamin Gen.43:30
3. He wept when he made himself to his brothers Gen.45:1-2
4. He wept when his brothers were to him Gen.45:15
5. He wept over his Jacob Gen.46:29
6. He wept at the of his father Gen.50:1
7. He wept when, later, his brothers his love for them.
Gen. 50: 15-17
A.W. Pink observes" How all this reminds us of the
of the Lord Jesus Christ, of whom we read so often, <b>He was moved with</b>
compassion."
II. Jesus expressing Compassion:
→ The Greek word for compassion in the examples below appears only in the synoptic gospels and (apart from parables) is used in reference to
1. Matthew 9: 36 "Seeing the people,compassion for them,
because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a
shepherd." Jesus expressed compassion over the people's
2. Matthew 15:32 "I feel compassion for the people, because they have remained with Me now 3 days and have nothing to eat;" Jesus expressed compassion for people's physical needs.

3. Matthew 18: 23-27 \* Picture the generous, compassionate forgiveness of God to a pleading sinner who owes Him an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ debt! (All people owe God an unpayable debt for violating His law Colossians 2:14
4. Matthew 20:34 "Moved with compassion, Jesus touched their eyes and immediately they regained their sight and followed Him."
5. Mark 1:40-42 – Jesus expresses his compassion to the desperate
6. Luke 7: 11- 15 Jesus raises the widow's only son from the dead. "When the Lord saw her, He felt compassion for her,"

III. The compassionate heart of God
1. 2 Corinthians 1: 3 NIV "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the \_\_\_\_\_\_ and the God of all comfort,"
2. Read Luke 15:11- 24 "But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion for him,"
3. "Mercy is an attribute of God, an infinite and inexhaustible energy within the divine nature which disposes God to be \_\_\_\_\_\_ compassionate."

Our right response is to be compassionate as our Father is and praise Him for His mercies! Psalm 103: 1-13

- A.W Tozer

May God Almighty grant you compassion!