THE COMPASSION OF JESUS

Jesus Feeds the Four Thousand

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29 Jesus left there and went along the Sea of Galilee. Then he went up on a mountainside and sat down.

30 Great crowds came to him, bringing the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute and many others, and laid them at his feet; and he healed them.

31 The people were amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled made well, the lame walking and the blind seeing. And they praised the God of Israel.

32 Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. I do not want to send them away hungry, or they may collapse on the way."

1) The Typical Calendar of Jesus
   a) To rest
   b) To pray
   c) To be quiet

2) A Schedule Change That Must Be Made
   a) Helpless humanity needs His help
   b) Coming along side the needy
   c) Meeting their needs - (My God Shall Supply)

In their helplessness Jesus wanted to be " near and dear"
"Have we trials and temptations
Is there trouble anywhere
Take it to the Lord in Prayer"

3) Compassion On The Multitude
The life blood of Jesus
a) a sin cleansing blood

b) an ever-enduring and ever-endearing flow
"oh precious is the flow
that washes white as snow
no other fount I know
nothing but the blood of Jesus"

c) Multitudes are made up of individuals. (Where have you laid him?)
    Consider Mary and Martha at the death of Lazarus
    Take Jesus to your deepest and most desperate place

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus
and you will see :

Out Of Compassion

- He came into the World for us

- Did He Weep for the Sorrowing

- Did He tell the story of the Prodigal Son and of the Good Samaritan to "woo" back the despised and neglected.

- He healed the sick
- For the lost He died
- For the discouraged and weary of His Family He lives in Heaven today to make intercession for us

The Primary Reason for Miracles

"Do not send them away lest they faint in the way"