Series: Renewing Our Strength <u>Title</u>: The Compassion of God: Faith Promise Missions

**<u>Text</u>**: (Matt 14:14-21)

(Heb 4:15) Our God is a God of Compassion. The plight of people touched Him. (Lk 19:41-42) It was His sole purpose for coming to earth. (Luke 19:10)

# Jesus SAW Something: (Matt 14:14).

Spiritually lost people in need of a savior: (Lk 19:10) Spiritually blind people in need of a Pastor: (Jn 9:36-38) Blind to the Gospel needing a guide: (2 Cor 4:4) Spiritually wounded people needing healing: (Mat 14:14)

### Jesus FELT something: (Matt 14:14)

He felt the emptiness of their lost condition. (Eph 2:12) He felt the pain of their physical condition: (Heb 4:15) He felt the anguish of their life without purpose. (John 6:29) He could see the hopelessness in their eyes. (Heb 11:6)

# Jesus DID something: (Matt 14:14)

**He got others involved in meeting the need:** (Matt 14:15) Every Christian is to be involved in Missions: (Acts 1:8)

#### Jesus asked them to willingly Give to meet the need:

3 Kinds of Giving every Christian is to participate in. First Druits, Free Will, Faith Promise

# They recognized what they had was not enough to meet the need. (Matt 14:17)(John 6:9)

They gave what God had provided them: (Matt 14:18) It's not equal giving, but equal sacrifice: (Mark 12:41-44)

He used an organized approach: (Mark 6:39-40)

He Blessed it: (Matt 14:19)

He Distributed it: (Matt 14:19b)

He made it Sufficient to Meet the Need: (Matt 14:20)

God wants You, not your Stuff: (2 Cor 8:5)

God wants us to have faith in His Ability, to provide

Not Our Budget: (John 6:9) The lad believed

(2 Cor 8:1) Grace = Salvation

(2 Cor 8:2) "abounded unto the riches of their liberality."

# We had a need of Salvation, and God used people to bring vou the Gospel: (2 Cor 8:4) *Ministering to the saints*

Faith Promise Explained: (2 Cor 9:7-8) (2 Cor 9:8) God provides the MEANS for you to Give

God's people are to be involved in Missions (Acts 1:8) God's people are to give: (1 Cor 16:1) God's people are to let God set the amount: (1 Cor 16:2)

#### God's people are to Trust God to provide the...

Means to give to Missions. MY Needs while I am Giving to Missions. My giving to reach people around the world.

Jesus Saw the Need: Do You? (Lk 19:10) Jesus Felt the Plight: Do You? (Jn 3:18) Jesus Did something About It:

Will You?