

Noticing a Need



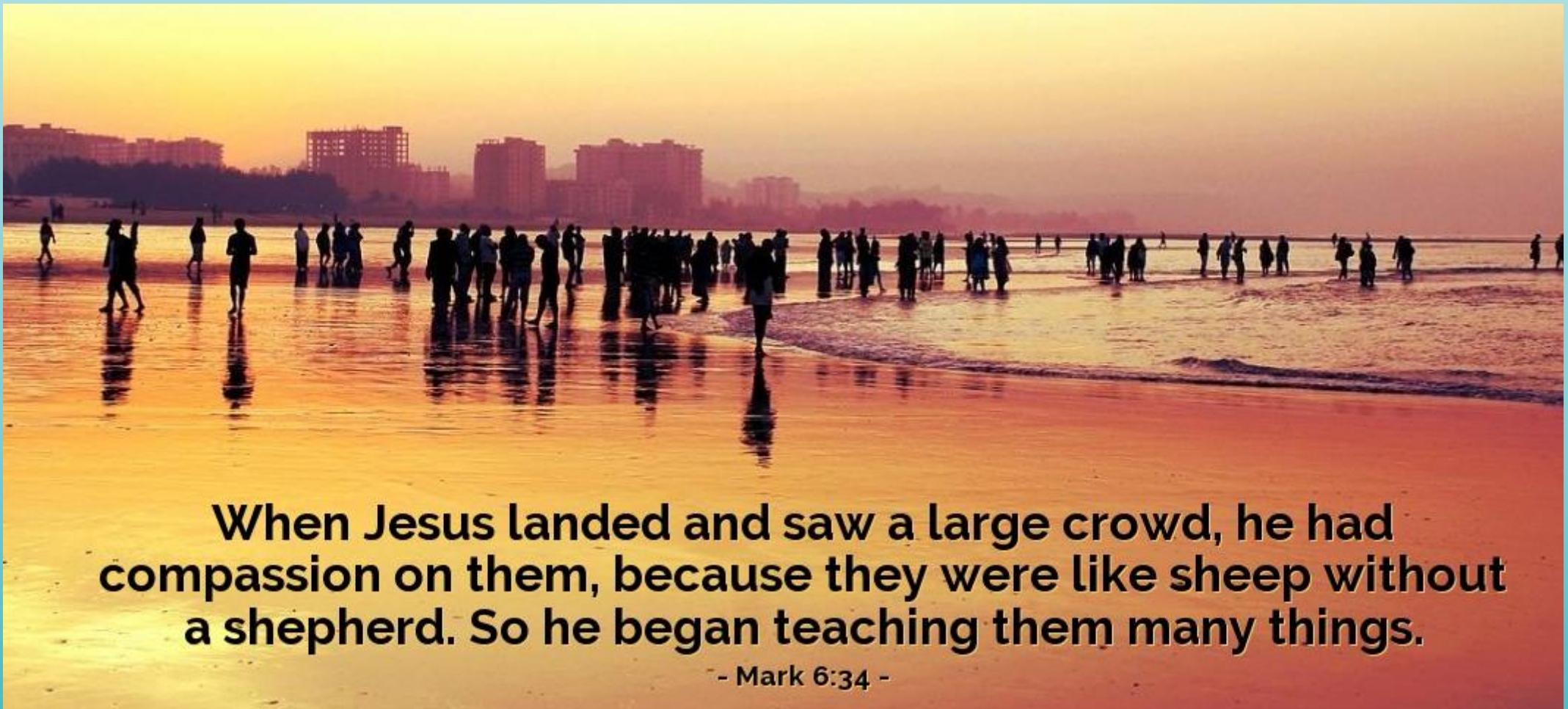


We have gathered together
in the name of God the Father,
Son and Holy Spirit,
to worship together
and think about our value compassion.



There are many stories in the Bible about Jesus noticing the needs of others and showing compassion. Once he went off in a boat to find a place away from the crowds where he and his disciples could rest. But when he reached the shore, on the other side of the lake there were yet more people wanting him to help them and heal those who were ill.

The Bible
describes
what
happened.



When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began teaching them many things.

- Mark 6:34 -



Jesus always put the need of others before his own. He showed his love for them by being compassionate.





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What is Compassion?



Compassion
is...

Caring
Offering help
Making a difference
Putting others first
Always listening
Sensitive to suffering
Service in action
Interested in others
Offering care and concern
Noticing a need.

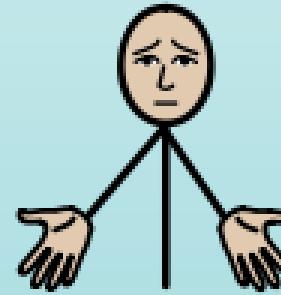
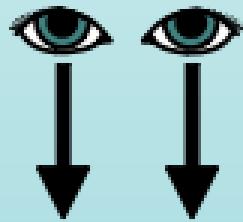


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Which line do you think
is the best way of
describing compassion?
Why?



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Noticing need

Noticing need is the last line of our poem but perhaps it's one of the most important. We can easily be so busy with the things that we want to do, the games we want to play and the people we want to speak to that we fail to notice when someone else needs our help.

Sometimes, perhaps, we even ignore people on purpose who need our help! We think that helping will change our plans and hold us up.



reflecting

Can you think of an occasion when you stopped what you were doing to help someone else?

How did you feel inside?

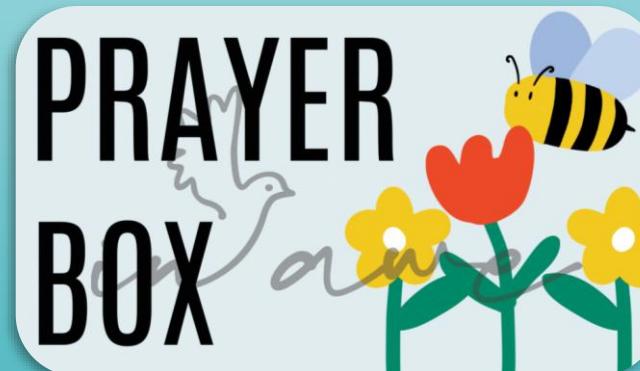
Responding



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 Is there anyone that you have noticed recently who is in need? Perhaps that person is sad or maybe going through a difficult time.

On the Worship Table we have a prayer box and a prayer tree. Perhaps you could write a prayer for them. God knows about all our needs and we can trust Him to hear our prayers.



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I'll lead the prayer if you would like to make the prayer yours join in with the Amen at the end.

A Prayer for Compassion

Jesus help my eyes to see, all the good you send for me.

Jesus help my ears to hear, calls for help from far and near

Jesus help my feet to go, in the way that you will show,

Jesus help my hands to do, all things loving, kind and true.

Amen

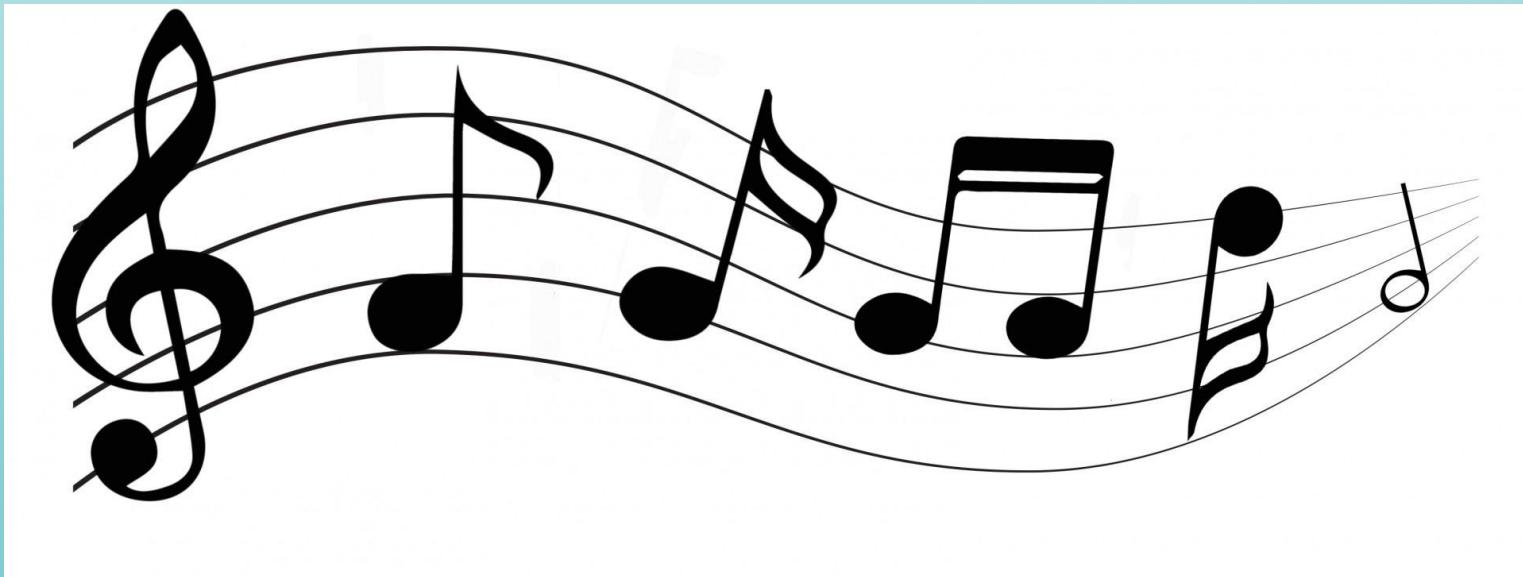


The Lord's Prayer

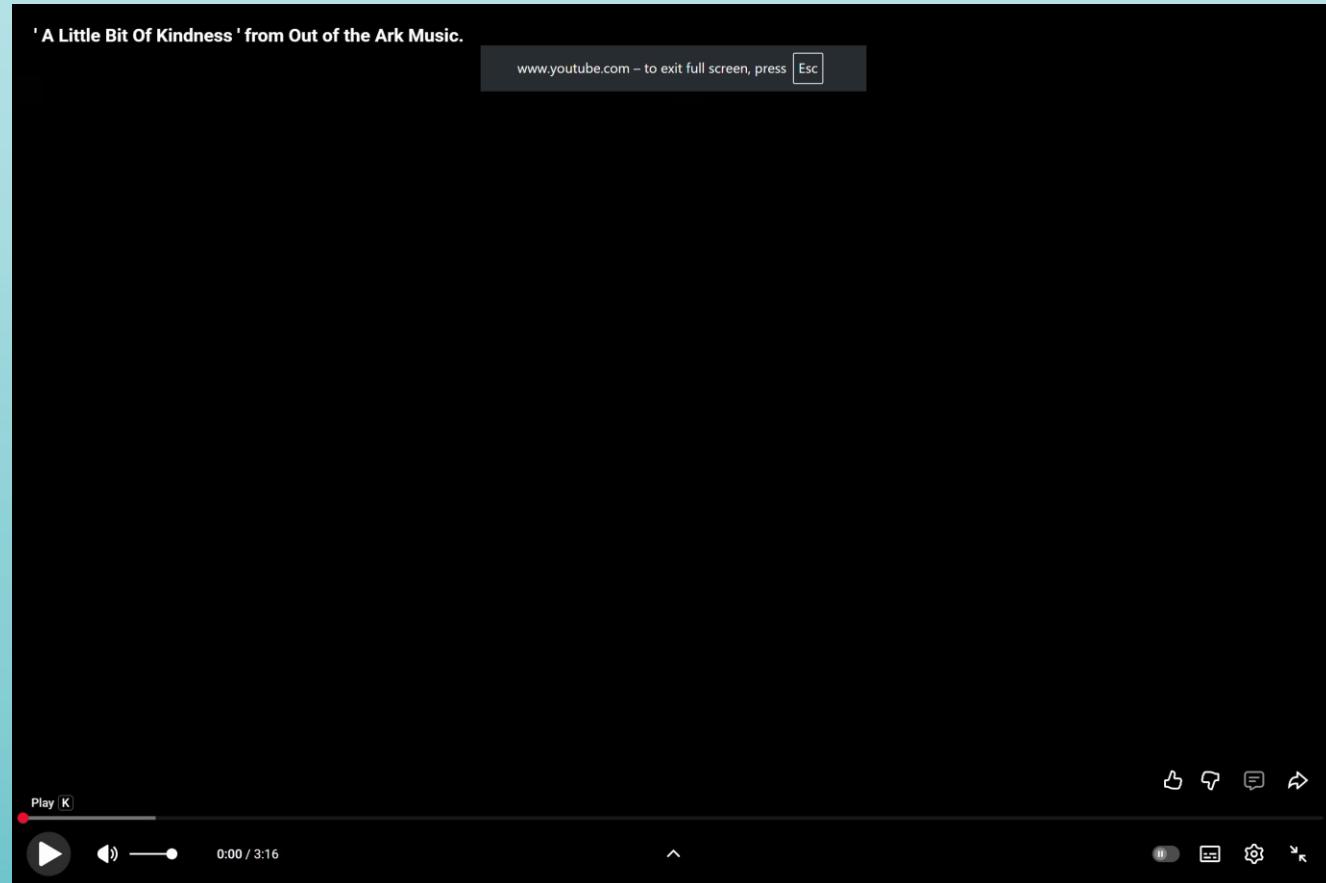
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.



Let's sing: A little bit of Kindness



A Little Bit of Kindness





Dear God

Thank you for our amazing school
and all the opportunities we have to shine.



Thank you God

Thank you for the church and school community that helps us to anchor
our lives in faith and our confidence to shine brighter.

Thank you God

Help us to show the light of Christ in everything we think, say and do.

Help us God

Help us to have the strength to be positive and
spread happiness to everyone we meet.

Help us God

Let your light shine through us.

Amen



Fruits from the roots

