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This Is A Word For Your Day

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Compassion and Restraint !

The Blood
Of Jesus
Will Never Lose
Its
Power!

Compassion

Compassion is a Bible Word.

It is found 41 times in our Bibles — 21 of those times are in the New Testament. The word compassion means:

A suffering with another; painful sympathy; a sensation of sorrow excited by the distress or misfortunes of another; pity; commiseration. Compassion is a mixed passion, compounded of love and sorrow; at least some portion of love generally attends the pain or regret, or is excited by it. Extreme distress of an enemy even changes enmity into at least temporary affection.

Examples

He being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity. Psalm 78.

His father had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. Luke 15.



Matthew 9:35-36 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. (36) But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

Restraint

Yesterday, I wrote about Christian Separation. Sometimes Christians must come away from the world's ways, so that those who are in need of the truth, can see the difference between light and darkness. This means that a sacrifice is called for on the part of Christians. There is a lot of liberty available to Believers, but our liberties can cause others to miss out on Jesus, therefore it is a sacrifice for Believers to voluntarily restrain them selves from some of their rightful liberties. Christians are not saved by doing good deeds, Christians are saved by what Jesus did for them, that is, Jesus died for our sin. There is quite a bit of liberty available for God's kids, but our restraint is summed up in these verses:

1 Corinthians 8:1-13 Now as touching things offered unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth. (2) And if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know. (3) But if any man love God, the same is known of him. (4) As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that *there is* none other God but one. (5) For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) (6) But to us *there is but* one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him. (7) **Howbeit *there is not in every man that knowledge: for some with conscience of the idol unto this hour eat it as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled.*** (8) But meat commendeth us not to God: for neither, if we eat, are we the better; neither, if we eat not, are we the worse. (9) But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak. (10) For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weak be emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols; (11) And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died? (12) But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ. (13)

Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

