

Message Notes

The Compassionate Samaritan

Scripture Passages

(taken from the New International Version)

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Setting His Face to Jerusalem

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THE question of all questions

Luke 10:25

Jesus answers him with a question

Luke 10:26

THE commandments of all commandments

Luke 10:27-28, Deut. 6:5, Leviticus 19:18, Matthew 22:40

The similarity between Old and New Testaments

What role do feelings play in the Christian life?

The man's heart is revealed

Luke 10:29, 16:14-15

Story time with Jesus

Luke 10:30-35

#compassionresponds

A call to extend mercy

Luke 10:36-37

Gospel Application

Do you make it your daily aim to love God with everything?

Will you ask God to give eyes to see those in need so that you might respond with compassion?

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Matthew 22:40

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The Gospel of
LUKE

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Luke 9:51 to Luke 19:44

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When the days drew near for him to be taken up,
he set his face to go to Jerusalem.

Last week's Message:
The Sending of the Seventy-Two
Luke 10:1-24

Gospel Application

What we are to do once we “Go!”

Matthew 28:18-20

¹⁸Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

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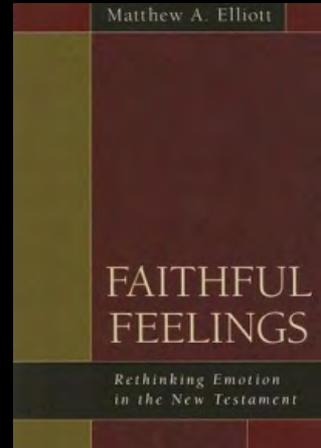
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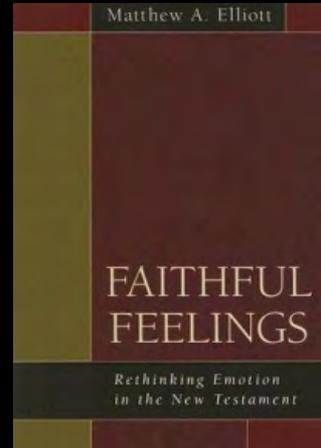
Part of the essence of the Christian life is how he or she feels... With a little work we can come up with a clear idea of the emotional characteristics of the members of the kingdom of God. They love God and each other, they take joy in what Jesus has done in the past and what he will do in the future. They have secure hope that God will triumph. They become angry at sin and injustice and are jealous for God. They embrace sorrow of the suffering as their own and grieve over sin...

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Faithful Feelings:
Rethinking Emotion in the New Testament



But this emotional life is rarely glimpsed in our theologies where emotion is not emphasized as a sign of true faith. Not only do Christians live the ethics of kingdom, they also feel the attitudes and emotions of the kingdom. This is part of the picture that is very clear in the New Testament. These feelings are a result of good theology and are a necessary component of faith.

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What Jesus Demands from the World



Jesus' demand that we love him may involve *more* than deep feelings of admiration for his attributes and enjoyment of his fellowship and attraction to his presence and affection for his kinship, but it does not involve *less*...Loving God is most essentially treasuring God. And loving him with *all* the heart and *all* the soul and *all* the mind and *all* the strength means that every faculty and every capacity treasures God above all things and in such a way that our treasuring of any other thing is also a treasuring of God.

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The lawyer has stated (more succinctly than Luke has recorded of Jesus) the need for a comprehensive love of God, encompassing uncompromising allegiance and conformity to his purpose, from which springs love for others. Of course, it is one thing to interpret the law correctly, another to internalize and perform it.

~Joel Green, New International Commentary
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14 The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. 15 And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts.” ~Luke 16:14-15

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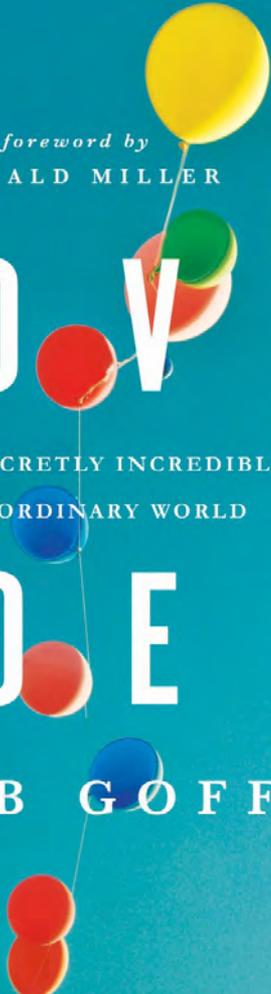
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He came → saw → was moved with compassion →
went to the wounded man + cared for him

“What individualizes him is his compassion, leading to
action, in the face of their inaction.” ~Joel Green



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LOVE

DISCOVER A SECRETLY INCREDIBLE LIFE
IN AN ORDINARY WORLD

DOES

BOB GOFF

"In the end, love
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Simply put:
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Jesus responds to the lawyer's self-justifying question with a parable that does not answer his question but changes it. He changes the question from *What kind of person is my neighbor?* to *What kind of person am I?* He changes the question from *What status of people are worthy of my love?* to *How can I become the kind of person whose compassion disregards status?*

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