



LIFE GROUPS

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PRAYER

Week of September 27, 2026

Sermon: **Care Deeply**

Text: Matthew 9:35–38; James 2:14–16

1 – Pray Together [the first and most important priority]

"If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here." — Exodus 33:15

Share needs and pray for one another. Ask God to give you His eyes for the people around you and a heart that genuinely cares.

Jesus did more than preach good news. He went where people were, saw their needs, and had compassion on them. Matthew says the crowds were "harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd." Jesus cared deeply—and then He called His followers to enter the harvest with that same compassion.

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2 – Open/Check-In

Who is someone who cared for you in a way you have never forgotten?

3 – The Word / Matthew 9:35–38; James 2:14–16

What stands out to you in this passage?

4 – Reflect

Why is it difficult for people to hear what we believe if they do not first sense that we genuinely care about them?

What is the difference between simply loving Jesus and learning to love like Jesus?

5 – Respond (Spiritual Formation/Growth)

Where in your normal week are you already surrounded by people who need the compassion and hope of Jesus?

Is there someone you have noticed but perhaps not really seen?

Close in Prayer

Pray for the people God has brought to mind. Ask Him to help you see them with compassion and to make you willing to be part of His answer.

This week: Look for one opportunity to go out of your way to care for someone. Let your life give them a glimpse of the Jesus you want them to know.