

## God's Heart for the Poor and Vulnerable

The following Bible study should be completed after reading the 'Moved with Compassion' section of Discipleship Journal, March – April, 2009.

The Bible is full of passages where we see God's concern for those who are vulnerable. As you look up the verses to follow, watch for answer to the following questions.

1. What is God revealing about . . .
  - a. Who He is?
  - b. What He does?
  - c. How He feels?
  
2. What is God revealing about . . .
  - a. Who He want you to be?
  - b. What He wants you to join Him in doing?
  - c. What you will begin to feel as you join His heart and actions?



Of course, not every passage contains all of these elements. And in some passages you will see what God is against. For those, ask, 'If God is against this, what does that mean He is for?' When we study God's Word, we're learning more about God. So before you begin, invite Him to be your teacher.

<i>Scripture</i>	<i>What is God Revealing About Himself?</i>	<i>What is God Revealing About Me?</i>
<i>Leviticus 19:9, 10, 13-15</i>		
<i>Deuteronomy 10:14-22</i>		
<i>Deuteronomy 15:7-11</i>		
<i>Deuteronomy 24:10-15</i>		
<i>Deuteronomy 26:12</i>		
<i>1 Samuel 2:8</i>		

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<i>Scripture</i>	<i>What is God Revealing About Himself?</i>	<i>What is God Revealing About Me?</i>
<i>Psalm 12:5</i>		
<i>Psalm 112</i>		
<i>Psalm 146:5-9</i>		
<i>Proverbs 11:24, 25</i>		
<i>Proverbs 14:31</i>		
<i>Proverbs 19:17</i>		
<i>Proverbs 31:8, 9</i>		
<i>Proverbs 31:20</i>		
<i>Isaiah 3:14, 15</i>		
<i>Isaiah 10:1-4</i>		
<i>Isaiah 58</i>		
<i>Isaiah 61:1-3</i>		
<i>Jeremiah 22:15-17</i>		

<i>Scripture</i>	<i>What is God Revealing About Himself?</i>	<i>What is God Revealing About Me?</i>
<i>Ezekiel 16:49</i>		
<i>Amos 2:6, 7</i>		
<i>Micah 6:8</i>		
<i>Malachi 3:5</i>		
<i>Matthew 5:42</i>		
<i>Matthew 25:31-36</i>		
<i>Luke 3:10-14</i>		
<i>Luke 4:16-21</i>		
<i>Luke 6:17-26</i>		
<i>Luke 10:25-37</i>		
<i>Luke 12:33</i>		
<i>Luke 14:12-14</i>		
<i>Acts 4:32-37</i>		

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<i>Acts 10:4, 30, 31</i>		
<i>Romans 12:13</i>		
<i>Romans 15:26-27</i>		
<i>1 Corinthians 13:3</i>		
<i>2 Corinthians 8, 9</i>		
<i>Galatians 2:10</i>		
<i>Ephesians 4:28</i>		
<i>1 Timothy 5:3-10</i>		
<i>1 Timothy 6:17-19</i>		
<i>Hebrews 13:16</i>		
<i>James 2:1-18</i>		
<i>James 5:1-6</i>		
<i>1 John 3:16-18</i>		

## Interacting With God:

1. Review your observations. What themes stand out to you? Mark your notes or write a summary of these ideas. Then tell God what you saw about Him and His passion.



2. Review your notes again, this time asking God, 'What would You like to bring to my attention?' Write a summary of what God invites you to notice with Him.
3. Respond to God about what he has shown you. Write a prayer telling Him how these ideas He included in Scripture are affecting you. For example, are you intrigued? Put off? Convicted? Encouraged? Energized?
4. Ask God to reveal His heart for you: Father, we've spent a lot of time together looking at Your heart for those who are vulnerable. What do You want me to know about Your care for me when I'm vulnerable? Is there anything You'd like me to do to join You in Your care for others?