

fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh."  
**(Zechariah 7:9-10)** ""Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Execute true justice, Show mercy and compassion Everyone to his brother. {10} Do not oppress the widow or the fatherless, The alien or the poor. Let none of you plan evil in his heart Against his brother.'"



Did you pass the heart tests?

with your throbbing fingers when I'm busy!" No, she showed him great compassion and tenderness.

As Psalm 103:13 reminds us, this is the response of love, both human and divine. In Isaiah 49, God said that even though a mother may forget to have compassion on her child, the Lord never forgets! (v.15). In picturesque language, God assured His people that He had inscribed them on the palms of His hands (v.16).

Such intimacy with God belongs to those who fear Him and rely on Him rather than on themselves. As that child with throbbing fingers ran freely to his mother, so may we run to God with our daily problems.

The almighty God never has to neglect others to respond to your concerns. He has limitless time and love for each of His children. No need is too trivial for Him. --JEY



*No heart too small, no world too wide  
To feel the Master's touch;  
Dear Lord of all, we give Thee thanks  
For Thou hast sent so much. --Michael*

**God bears the world's weight on His shoulder,  
yet holds His children in the palm of His hand.**

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### No Need Is Too Trivial

**As a father pities his children, so the Lord pities those who fear Him. -  
-Psalm 103:13**

Several mothers of small children were sharing encouraging answers to prayer. One woman admitted that she felt selfish when she troubled God with her personal needs. "Compared with the huge global needs God faces," she explained, "my circumstances must seem trivial to Him."

Moments later, her little son pinched his fingers in a door and ran screaming to his mother. She didn't say, "How selfish of you to bother me





## God's Heart. Our Heart.

The Scripture gives us two heart-checks today. A godly compassionate Christian will focus on:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ brothers,

**(Exodus 33:19-23)** "Then He said, "I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion." {20} But He said, "You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live." ..{23} "Then I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back; but My face shall not be seen.""

**(Deuteronomy 13:16-17)** ""And you shall gather all its plunder into the middle of the street, and completely burn with fire the city and all its plunder, for the LORD your God. ... {17} "So none of the accursed things shall remain in your hand, that the LORD may turn from the fierceness of His anger and show you mercy, have compassion on you and multiply you, just as He swore to your fathers,"

**(2 Chronicles 36:15-16)** "And the LORD God of their fathers sent warnings to them by His messengers, rising up early and sending them, because He had compassion on His people and on His dwelling place. {16} But they mocked the messengers of God, despised His words, and scoffed at His prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against His people, till there was no remedy."

**(Psalms 145:8-9)** "The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, Slow to anger and great in mercy. {9} The LORD is good to all, And His tender mercies are over all His works."

**(Isaiah 49:15)** ""Can a woman forget her nursing child, And not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, Yet I will not forget you."

**(Lamentations 3:21-26)** "This I recall to my mind, Therefore I have hope. {22} Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not. {23} They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness. {24} "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "Therefore I



hope in Him!" {25} The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, To the soul who seeks Him. {26} It is good that one should hope and wait quietly For the salvation of the LORD."

**(James 5:11)** "Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord; that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful."

**(Exodus 22:22-24)** ""You shall not afflict any widow or fatherless child. {23} "If you afflict them in any way, and they cry at all to Me, I will surely hear their cry; {24} "and My wrath will become hot, and I will kill you with the sword; your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless."

**(Deuteronomy 10:17-19)** ""For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality nor takes a bribe. {18} "He administers justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the stranger, giving him food and clothing. {19} "Therefore love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt."

**(Matthew 14:14)** "And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick."

**(Hebrews 10:32-34)** "But recall the former days in which, after you were illuminated, you endured a great struggle with sufferings: {33} partly while you were made a spectacle both by reproaches and tribulations, and partly while you became companions of those who were so treated; {34} for you had compassion on me in my chains, and joyfully accepted the plundering of your goods, knowing that you have a better and an enduring possession for yourselves in heaven."

**(1 Peter 3:8)** "Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be

tenderhearted, be courteous;"



2. \_\_\_\_\_ people,

**(Micah 7:18-20)** "Who is a God like You, Pardoning iniquity And passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, Because He delights in mercy. {19} He will again have compassion on us, And will subdue our iniquities. You will cast all our sins Into the depths of the sea. {20} You will give truth to Jacob And mercy to Abraham, Which You have sworn to our fathers From days of old."

**(Deuteronomy 30:3)** ""..the LORD your God will bring you back from captivity, and have compassion on you, and gather you again from all the nations where the LORD your God has scattered you."

**(Matthew 9:36-38)** "But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. {37} Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. {38} "Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.""

**(Hebrews 5:2)** "He can have compassion on those who are ignorant and going astray, ..."

**(Jude 1:22-23)** "And on some have compassion, making a distinction; {23} but others save with fear, pulling them out of the

