

Everywhere you go these days, people are hurting and discouraged, and many have broken hopes and dreams. They have made mistakes, and their lives are in a mess. They need to feel God's compassion and unconditional love. They don't need somebody to judge, criticize and condemn them. They need somebody to bring hope, to bring healing, to show God's mercy, to be there to encourage them, and to take the time to listen and genuinely care.

Our world is crying out for people with compassion, people who love unconditionally. The apostle Paul says that God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. If you would like to live your best life, you need to keep your heart of compassion open to be kind, caring, gentle, and loving. You need to be on the lookout for people you can bless. You *can* make a difference in other peoples' lives. When God puts love and compassion in your heart toward someone, follow that love. Don't ignore it. Act on it. Somebody needs what you have. Be a person of compassion.

1 Peter 3:8 "Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous..."