

The Power of Compassion Bible Study

Objective: This guide will explore how biblical teachings on compassion can be understood exploring scripture applied through various STEAMS disciplines, encouraging critical thinking, creativity, and active engagement in compassionate living.

Key Components

Science (S): The Physiology of Compassion	<p>Scripture Focus: 1 John 4:7-8 (ESV) - "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love."</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reflection: How does the act of showing compassion impact the human body and mind, both physically and emotionally?
Technology (S): Tools for Compassionate Outreach	<p>Scripture Focus: Matthew 5:1-2 (ESV) - "Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him."</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reflection: How can modern technology be used to share teachings of compassion effectively, as Jesus did when addressing large crowds?

<p>Engineering (E): Designing Compassionate Spaces</p>	<p>Scripture Focus: Micah 6:8 (ESV) - “He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reflection: How can the design of physical spaces encourage kindness and community well-being?
<p>Arts (A): Compassion in Visual Storytelling</p>	<p>Scripture Focus: Isaiah 54:10 (ESV) - For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed,” says the LORD, who has compassion on you.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reflection: How can we express God’s compassion and love through visual arts and storytelling?
<p>Math (M): Measuring Compassion in Action</p>	<p>Scripture Focus: Ephesians 4:32 (ESV) - Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reflection: How can we increase our interactions with people to show compassion in our everyday actions?

Social Studies (SS): Compassion in Historical and Cultural Contexts

Scripture Focus: Matthew 12:9-10 (ESV) - "He went on from there and entered their synagogue. And a man was there with a withered hand. And they asked him, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath?"—so that they might accuse him."

- **Reflection:** How did Jesus exemplify compassion throughout the bible and how can we show it in our everyday life?

Key Takeaways

As we conclude our study of compassion in scripture, the Bible teaches profound lessons about how we can approach one another with kindness and empathy. Compassion is a divine attribute, exemplified perfectly through God's love for us. By reflecting on these scriptures and living out their teachings, we can positively impact our communities and cultivate a culture of empathy and care.