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#### Compassion Journey Weekend We Can Impact More Lives Together!

<sup>4</sup> Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, <sup>5</sup> so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. **Romans 12:4-5 NLT** 

- We were created for <u>community</u>.
- We were created for <u>relationships</u>.

## WHY WE NEED EACH OTHER...

- I NEED OTHERS TO WALK WITH ME.
- I NEED OTHERS TO WORK WITH ME.
- I NEED OTHERS TO WATCH OUT FOR ME.
- I NEED OTHERS TO WEEP WITH ME.
- I NEED OTHERS TO <u>CELEBRATE WITH ME</u>.

# I NEED OTHERS TO HELP ME HELP OTHERS.

## False Teaching and True Riches

<sup>2b</sup> Teach these things, Timothy, and encourage everyone to obey them.
<sup>3</sup> Some people may contradict our teaching, but these are the wholesome teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ. These teachings promote a godly life. <sup>4</sup> Anyone who teaches something different is arrogant and lacks understanding. Such a person has an unhealthy desire to quibble over the meaning of words. This stirs up arguments ending in jealousy, division, slander, and evil suspicions.<sup>5</sup> These people always cause trouble. Their minds are corrupt, and they have turned their backs on the truth. To them, a show of godliness is just a way to become wealthy. <sup>6</sup> Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. <sup>7</sup> After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. <sup>8</sup> So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content. <sup>9</sup> But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and

harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction.<sup>10</sup> For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows. **1 Timothy 6:2b-10 NLT** 

## Paul's Final Instructions

<sup>11</sup> But you, Timothy, are a man of God; so run from all these evil things. Pursue righteousness and a godly life, along with faith, love, perseverance, and gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight for the true faith. Hold tightly to the eternal life to which God has called you, which you have declared so well before many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> And I charge you before God, who gives life to all, and before Christ Jesus, who gave a good testimony before Pontius Pilate,<sup>14</sup> that you obey this command without wavering. Then no one can find fault with you from now until our Lord Jesus Christ comes again. <sup>15</sup> For. at just the right time Christ will be revealed from heaven by the blessed and only almighty God, the King of all kings and Lord of all lords. <sup>16</sup> He alone can never die, and he lives in light so brilliant that no human can approach him. No human eye has ever seen him, nor ever will. All honor and power to him forever! Amen. <sup>17</sup> Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. <sup>19</sup> By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life. 1 Timothy 6:11-19 NLT

If you help the poor, you are lending to the Lord—and he will repay you! **Proverbs 19:17 NLT** 

Next steps for me today...

- To surrender my life to Jesus today and be set free.
- To sponsor a child through Compassion International; therefore, being generous to those in need.