

Compassion, Generosity and Kindness

While Bill Johnson was teaching, I heard the Spirit speak the following through him which is worthy of passing on as Kingdom teaching.

“[T]his is one of the strangest ways to win a battle and that was feed your enemy. And there are times where compassion will take you into a triumph, into a victory, the skilled warfare and all your praying and fasting and everything will not do. There's something about compassion. Compassion is so vital that in Ezekiel 16 there's this bizarre dialogue about sexual perversion that had taken over society and the Lord in verse (I think it's 49) says, the reason this giant grew to dominate the hearts, the minds, the values of people was because you left the door open with the absence of compassion and caring for the poor.

So, it's such a big deal that when compassion is demonstrated, it transforms not only the immediate condition (in this case food¹), but it did more than that. The Passion Translation (forgive me I forgot to look up the verse again), but there's a The Passion Translation in proverbs has this one verse that says, through our generosity we awaken the conscience of other people.² That's stunning. Through our acts of kindness, we actually awaken people's awareness to what is written in their heart by God himself. The compassion, generosity, kindness, awakens that stuff in people's lives. That's what happened here. Suddenly warriors that wanted to destroy Israel, lost the desire to destroy anyone and they no longer went in to Israel to fight and to war and it was simply because they got fed. It wasn't the power of food, it was the power of kindness. It's the power of generosity.

Compassion is generosity of heart. It may be a meal and maybe a hug. It may be an afternoon of counsel. But the point is, excellence here creates a generous heart where compassion is demonstrated.”³

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(Readers will need to look up for themselves any scriptures alluded to in this document)

1 – 2 Kings 6:8-23

2 – Proverbs 25:22 (TPT)

3 – Bill Johnson (August 2020) “Principles of Warfare” www.youtube.com/watch?v=_7ain9tP5AU [3:27-5:34]