

**LESSONS  
FROM THE  
FEET OF  
JESUS, #1**



**I. We learn of the mercy and compassion of the Lord.**

*“And great multitudes came unto him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus feet; and he healed them”-Matthew 15:30*

**In the region of Tyre and Sidon, a woman of Canaan came to the Lord and said, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil”-Matthew 15:22.**

*“But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they were distressed, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd”-Matthew 9:36.*

**A. Mercy (eleos) means to have a feeling of sympathy towards misery; and then it refers to active compassion with a desire to relieve the afflicted.**

**B. Compassion (splachnizomai) means to be moved with one’s inward parts towards those afflicted and suffering.**

**Question: Would the Lord leave the 99 sheep in the wilderness and go and search after the one lost sheep until He found it? See Luke 15:3-6.**

**That's what the ministry of the Lord was about, wasn't it?**

***“For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost”-Luke 19:10.***

***“But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel”-Matthew 10:6.***

***“This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief”-I Timothy 1:15.***

***“But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,***

***Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace have you been saved;)”-Ephesians 2:4 & 5.***

**Read Ezekiel 16:1-8 and see if you can't make application to God's mercy being applied to you when you were baptized into Christ!**

**DURING THE THREE AND A HALF YEARS OF THE LORD'S MINISTRY, HIS FEET TOOK HIM ALL OVER THE "HOLY LAND" SEARCHING AFTER LOST SHEEP BECAUSE HE WAS MERCIFUL!!**

**QUESTIONS: ARE THOSE OF US WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE W. S. YOUNG CONGRGATION MERCIFUL AND COMPASSIONATE LIKE THE LORD?**

**WHAT DID WE DO THIS PAST WEEK TO SHOW OUR MERCY AND COMPASSION TOWARDS OTHERS?**

**WHAT DO WE PLAN TO DO THIS WEEK TO EXTEND OUR MERCY AND COMPASSION TOWARDS OTHERS?**

## **II. From the feet of Jesus, we learn to worship Him!**

*“And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him”-Matthew 28:9.*

**Hail (chairete) means, to joy, to rejoice, and to be glad.**

**Worship (prosekunusai). This word literally means, “to kiss towards;” and carries the idea of doing reverence, homage, and worship towards God!**

**A. The wise men fell down and worshipped Jesus when He was a baby-Matthew 2:11.**

**B. A leper worshipped the Lord and asked to be cleansed by him-Matthew 8:2.**

**C. Jairus worshipped the Lord and asked Him to come and lay his hand on his daughter so she would live-Matthew 9:18.**

**D. After the Lord stilled the storm, the apostles worshipped Him-Matthew 14:33 and context.**

**E. James and John and their mother (the wife of Zebedee) worshipped the Lord when she asked the Lord for a special place for James and John in the kingdom-Matthew 20:20 & 21.**

**Note: It is probable that in all these texts a literal falling down before the Lord was in view; but we should not assume this in all texts about worship!**

**F. *“And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.***

***And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:***

***And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen”-Luke 24:51-53.***

**G. The four living creatures, twenty four elders, and the thousands of angels are pictured as worshipping God and the Lamb-see Revelation 4:10 & 11; 5:12 & 13.**

H. When Jesus was born, God said, *“Let all the angels worship him”*-Hebrews 1:6.

**Question: If God calls for angels to worship Christ, how much more important is it for man to worship both God and Christ?**

I. Jesus said, *“But in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men”*-Matthew 15:9.

**Note: It is implied here that teaching God’s doctrine would be considered as worship!**

**The figurative application of the word “worship” would have the idea of acknowledging the Divinity of the Godhead and humbling our selves before God by following Him and keeping his commandments! In doing this, Christians are showing reverence and obeisance towards God!**

**J. *“But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him”-John 4:23.***

**HERE, THE LORD EMPHASIZES RIGHT ATTITUDE AND RIGHT DOCTRINE!**

**Contrast this with the attitude of the Pharisees in Matthew 15:8.**

***“This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoreth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.”***

**Note: When the attitude is not right for worshippers, the doctrines of men are taught and honored, rather than God’s doctrine! See again verse 9.**

**K. Worship was extremely important for the Ethiopian eunuch, because he had traveled hundreds of miles to worship God in Jerusalem-see Acts 8:27.**

**L. Men are not to worship other men!**

*“And as Peter was coming in, Cornelius met him, and fell down before his feet, and worshipped him.*

*But Peter took him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man”-Acts 10:25 & 26.*

**M. Christians ought to be characterized as “worshippers of God”-see Acts 18:7.**

**III. At the feet of Jesus, we learn of His death, the cross, the shedding of His blood, His love, and His perfect sacrifice!**

*“And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? And why do thoughts arise in your hearts?*

*Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.*

*And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet”-Luke 24:38-40.*

**Question: Have you ever placed yourself in the shoes of those disciples on that occasion, and thought about the thoughts that would have filled your mind as you looked upon the nail-scarred hands and feet of the Lord?**

**A. His love-John 3:16; Romans 5:6-8; I Timothy 2:6.**

**B. His sacrifice-**

*“But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.*

*All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

*He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.*

*By oppression and judgment he was taken away: and as for his generation, who among them considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living for the transgression of my people to whom the stroke was due?”-Isaiah 53:5-8.*

*“Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the Lord shall prosper in his hand.*

*And he shall see the travail of his soul and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.*

*Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors”-Isaiah 53:10-12.*

### **C. His blood-Matthew 26:28.**

*“Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are passed through the forbearance of God”-Romans 3:25.*

**THANK GOD FOR THE NAIL-SCARRED  
HANDS AND FEET OF THE LORD!!**

**BRETHREN, WE'LL HAVE ONE PLEA IN  
THE JUDGMENT DAY-CHRIST AND THE  
CROSS, AND ALL THE BLESSINGS THAT  
COMES BECAUSE OF IT!!**