



## #struggles - Part 4 of 5 Compassion May 10, 2015

FACT: WE CARE **40%** LESS THAN PEOPLE DID IN THE 1980s.

### HOW DOES TECHNOLOGY CAUSE US TO CARE LESS?

- 1) We're more obsessed with **ourselves**.
- 2) Overwhelming exposure to suffering **desensitizes** us.
- 3) Lack of **personal** interaction makes it easier not to care.

### COMPASSION COUNTS

- TRUE COMPASSION DEMANDS **ACTION**.

*splagchnizomai* (splangkhnid'-zom-ah-ee); to have the bowels yearn, feel deep sympathy, to be moved to action.

- TO SAY YOU CARE BUT NOT **ACT** IS TO NOT **CARE** AT ALL.

*"A man with leprosy came and knelt in front of Jesus, begging to be healed. 'If you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean,' he said. Moved with compassion, Jesus reached out and touched him. 'I am willing,' he said. 'Be healed!'"* Mark 1:40-41 NLT

*"When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick."* Matthew 14:14

*"Jesus had compassion on them and touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed him." Matthew 20:34*

### COMPASSION

- 1) **INTERRUPTS**
- 2) **COSTS**
- 3) CHANGES **LIVES**