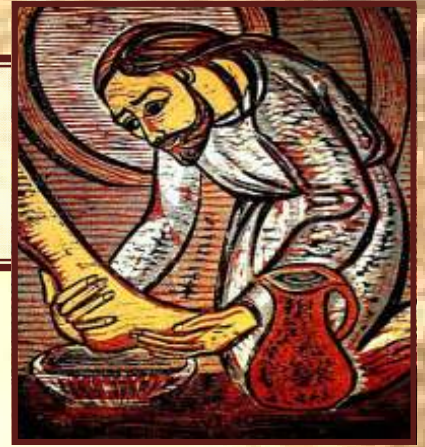


COMPASSIONATE MINISTRY



Have you ever been at the bedside of someone who is sick or even dying?

Have you sat in the presence of someone who has experienced great loss?

Perhaps you've been challenged by a beggar on the street or have been deeply moved by the evening news with images of people suffering from a disaster...

Baptism calls every Christian *"to be compassionate, as your Father in heaven is compassionate"* (Lk. 6:36).

Henri Nouwen points to what this may mean for us:

"Does the compassionate life not demand that we be present to those who suffer; does it not require that we enter into solidarity with the poor, oppressed, and downtrodden; does it not motivate us both to move into the thick of life and to experience the hardships of existence in solidarity with the outcasts?"

How are we to understand a ministry of compassion for the ordinary Christian today?

Are there tangible outcomes or rewards for *"being"* there? How do compassion and holiness go together?

This evening session will invite you to explore the call and the challenge of compassionate ministry through film, spiritual reflection, self-awareness and discussion.

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