40 Days of Prayer & Devotion to Easter

Day 8

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Right before this, Matthew gives us several accounts of miracles Jesus performed while traveling through cities and villages and preaching the Gospel of the kingdom. Naturally, with all this excitement around what Jesus was doing, the crowds begin to gather. When God moves, people want to be there, and as more people gather to Him, we see how Jesus responds. He responds with compassion. He sees their need, that they not only need their physical needs met, but they need a shepherd. Jesus, being the Good Shepherd, cares for them.

Jesus chooses to involve us in the meeting of people's needs and the winning of souls. Our job is to be ready. Ready to serve, ready to share the Gospel with those around us. God is preparing a harvest of people that need to know Him. Are you ready to do your part by living outward and sharing the Gospel when the opportunity presents itself?

- 1. Make sure that you have your eyes open to people's needs and opportunities to share the love of Christ with them.
- 2. Who in your life is ready for a Gospel conversation?
- Pastor David Shaw

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