

# LIFEGROUPS

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## **Sermon-based Discussion Questions<sup>1</sup>** “Compelled by Compassion” from 10/27/19 Matthew 9:35-10:15

**SPOILER ALERT:**     *You may not want to read these until  
AFTER you have heard the sermon.*

1. Matthew 10:2-4 list the names of the 12 Apostles. Which of them would you most like to meet or to learn more about? Why?
2. What can each of us learn from the way that Jesus sent out the 12 Apostles to serve people? How can we apply this to our own Christian lives today? Are there any ways that our ministry is not similar?
3. What are some ways that “compassion fatigue” might impact us as followers of Jesus? Given all of the competing needs that surround each of us, how can we maintain an authentic compassion for the lost?
4. Why does it matter that we be “Compelled by Compassion” and not by something else? What other motives might compel us? Why do you think God chooses to include us in His outreach to the world?
5. How can we reconcile Matthew 9:36 with Matthew 10:14-15? What other verses in the Bible might inform our understanding of both God’s compassion and His right to judge sin? (For example: John 3:16-18, 36)
6. How can our Life Group encourage you toward compassionate ministry toward the spiritually lost?

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<sup>1</sup> Sermon archive available at <https://efcbemidji.org/watch-read/sermons/sermon-list/>  
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