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EVERYDAY EVANGELISM ENCOUNTERS

Thursday
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Compassion

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My thought for today's evangelism encounter is "Compassion" coming out of Matthew 14:14.

The Greek word for compassion here is *Splanchnizomai* or *Splanchnology* which is the study of the viscera mainly in the gut or bowel.

So when Jesus had compassion on the people this was not just having pity on them. He was saying that Jesus felt their hurts, deeply, in His gut. He felt the limping of the disabled. He felt the hurt of those with every kind of disease. He felt the loneliness and isolation of the lepers. He felt the emotional embarrassment of those scorned by society, and the shame and brokenness of those addicted to drugs, alcohol, sex, pornography and other destructive practices. And that's what moved Jesus to action, as he healed the people.

May we all be inspired by Jesus' example, to be moved with compassion, as we encounter people today.