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SAMARITAN

LUKE 10:25-37



Understanding the Lawyer's Question — (vs 25-29)

- Vs 25 – A Jewish Lawyer knows torah
- Vs 26 – Answering a question with a question
- Vs 27 – Dt. 6:5 & Lev. 19:18. “there is no other commandment greater than these” (Mk. 12:31b)
- Vs 28 – “Do this and you will live”
- Vs 29 – “And who is my neighbor?”

A Dangerous Road & It's Travelers

— (vs 30-37)

- Vs 30 – Traveler #1: The Victim
- Vs 31 – Traveler #2: The Priest
- Vs 32 – Traveler #3: The Levite
- Vs 33-35 – Traveler #4: The Samaritan
- Vs 36 – “which of these three proved to be a neighbor?”
- Vs 37 – “Go and do the same”

Applications

1. Christian's Have a Heart of Compassion – Mt. 5:7 & Col. 3:12

- This word literally means “to be moved as to one's bowels, hence to be moved with compassion, have compassion (for the bowels were thought to be the seat of love & pity)”
- This expression for compassion is used 12x in the NT, only across 3 of the gospels.
 - 8 of those times it directly says that Jesus “felt” or “had” compassion. (group of people, individuals, etc.) (Mt. 9:36; 14:14; 15:32; 20:34, Mk. 1:41; 6:34; 8:2, Lk. 7:13)
 - 1 of those times a father asked Jesus to have “compassion” on his demon possessed son. (Mk. 9:22)
 - 1 of those times in a parable in which the “lord” of the slave had “compassion” (Mt. 18:27)
 - 1 of those times in a parable where the father of the prodigal son sees his son and felt “compassion” (Lk. 15:20)

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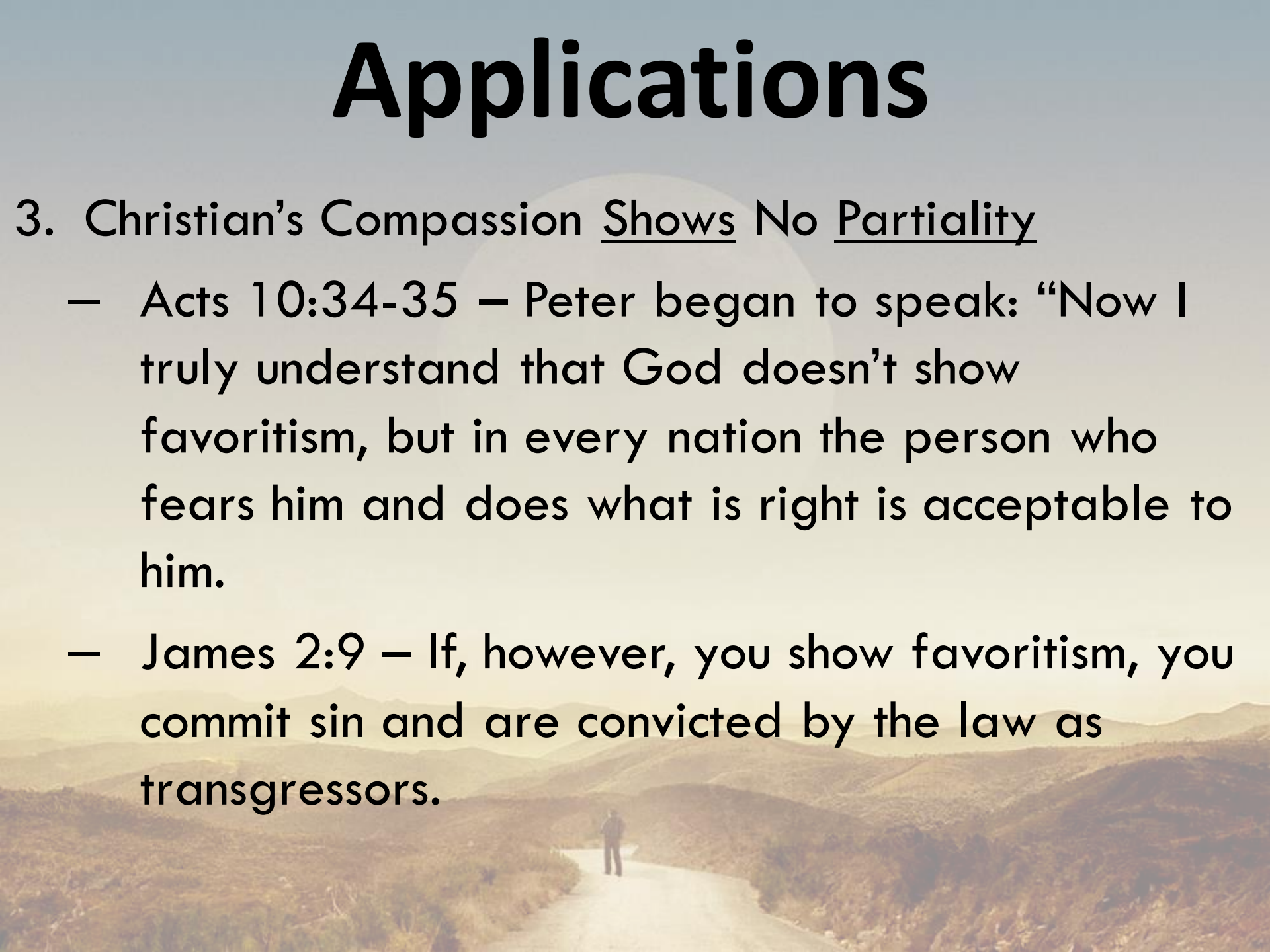
2. Christian's Compassion Leads to Action

- James 2:15-17 – If a brother or sister is without clothes and lacks daily food and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, stay warm, and be well fed,” but you don’t give them what the body needs, what good is it? In the same way faith, if it does not have works, is dead by itself.
- Jude 1:22-25 – Have mercy on those who waver; save others by snatching them from the fire; have mercy on others but with fear, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh. Now to him who is able to protect you from stumbling and to make you stand in the presence of his glory, without blemish and with great joy, to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, power, and authority before all time, now and forever. Amen.

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3. Christian's Compassion Shows No Partiality

- Acts 10:34-35 – Peter began to speak: “Now I truly understand that God doesn’t show favoritism, but in every nation the person who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.
- James 2:9 – If, however, you show favoritism, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.



Conclusion

1. Christ Has a Heart of Compassion

- Lk. 6:36 — Be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

2. Christ's Compassion Led Him to Action

- 1 Pet. 2:24 — He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree; so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

3. Christ's Compassion Shows No Partiality

- Gal. 3:26-28 — For through faith you are all sons of God in Christ Jesus. For those of you who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. There is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male and female; since you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Jesus is the Greatest Samaritan

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