Outline

"The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; Psalm 18:2

"will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever. Daniel 2:44

"Follow me." Matthew 4:19

"for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." Ephesians 4:13

I. Compassionate

"The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God..." Exodus 34:6

"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him;" Psalm 103:11-13

"filled with compassion." Mark 1:41

"If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, return it by sunset, ²⁷ because that cloak is the only covering your neighbor has. What else can they sleep in? When they cry out to me, I will hear, for I am compassionate." Exodus 22:26-27

"When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. ¹⁰ Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for the poor and the foreigner. I am the Lord your God." Leviticus 19:9-10

"When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick." Matthew 14:14

Ripple Effect John 21:19; Matthew 28:20; Ephesians 4:12-13

"Jesus called his disciples to him and said, 'I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. I do not want to send them away hungry, or they may collapse on the way." Matthew 15:32

II. Justice and Righteousness

"The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed," Psalm 103:6

"Honest scales and balances are from the Lord. All the weights in the bag are of His making." Proverbs 16:11

"This is what the LORD Almighty said: 'Administer true justice; show mercy and compassion to one another. Do not oppress the widow or the fatherless, the foreigner or the poor. Do not plot evil against each other.' " Zechariah 7:9-10

"He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8

III. Generosity.

"God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground." Genesis 1:28

"The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation." Exodus 34:6-7

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"If you come across your enemy's ox or donkey wandering off, be sure to take it back to him. If you see the donkey of someone who hates you fallen down under its load, don't leave it there. Be sure you help him with it." Exodus 23:4-5

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IV. God Loves Children.

"Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

"When Children Became People: The Birth of Childhood in Early Christianity," by O.M Blake

"Come, follow me."