



OUR FINEST HOUR

SEIZING THIS MOMENT FOR THE MISSION



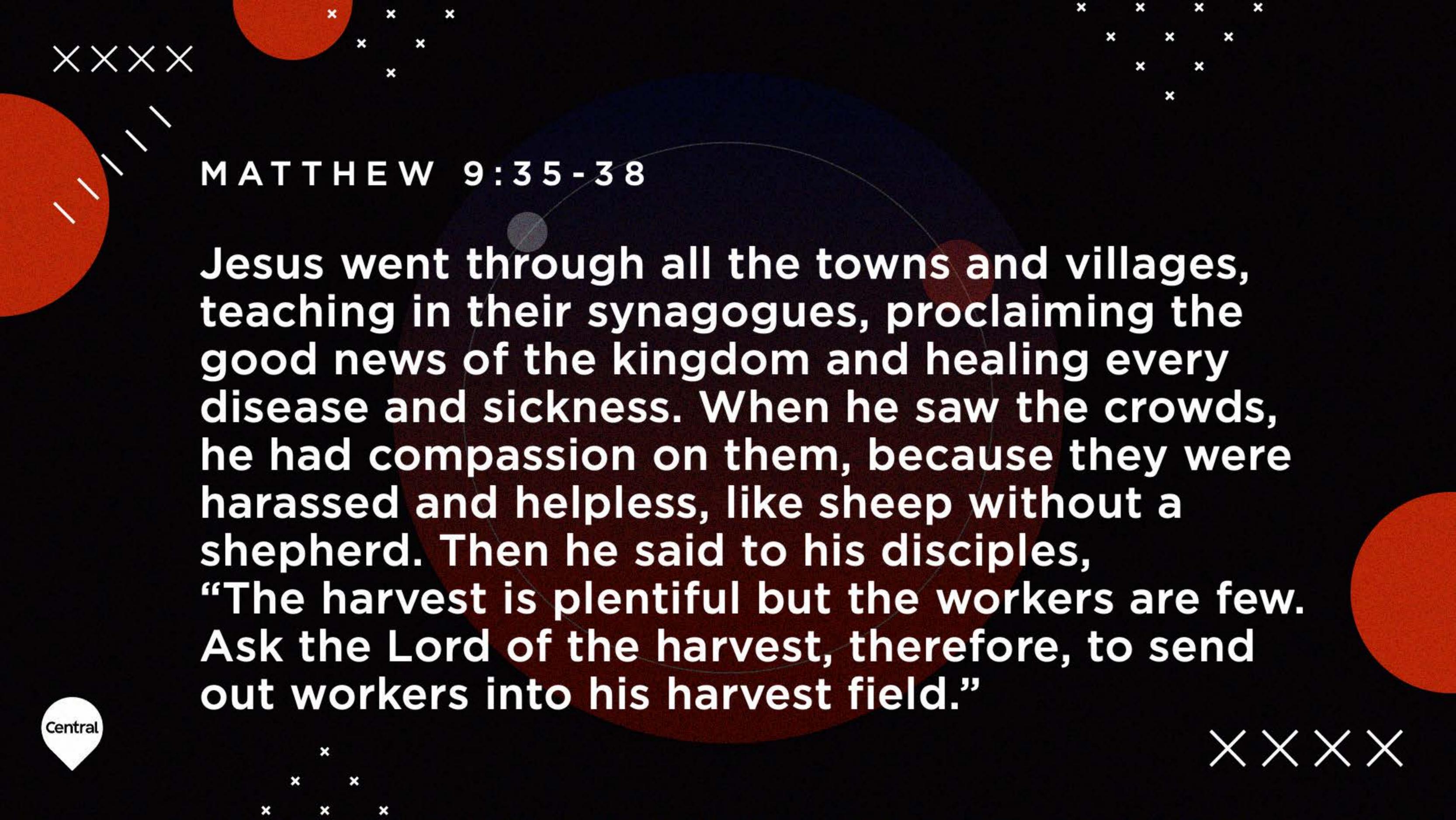
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**REFLECTING JESUS' HEART
IN OUR CALLING**

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MATTHEW 9:35-38

Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”

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When we pray for God to send laborers into his harvest, we pray that He gives them the heart of a shepherd not the mouth of a prophet.

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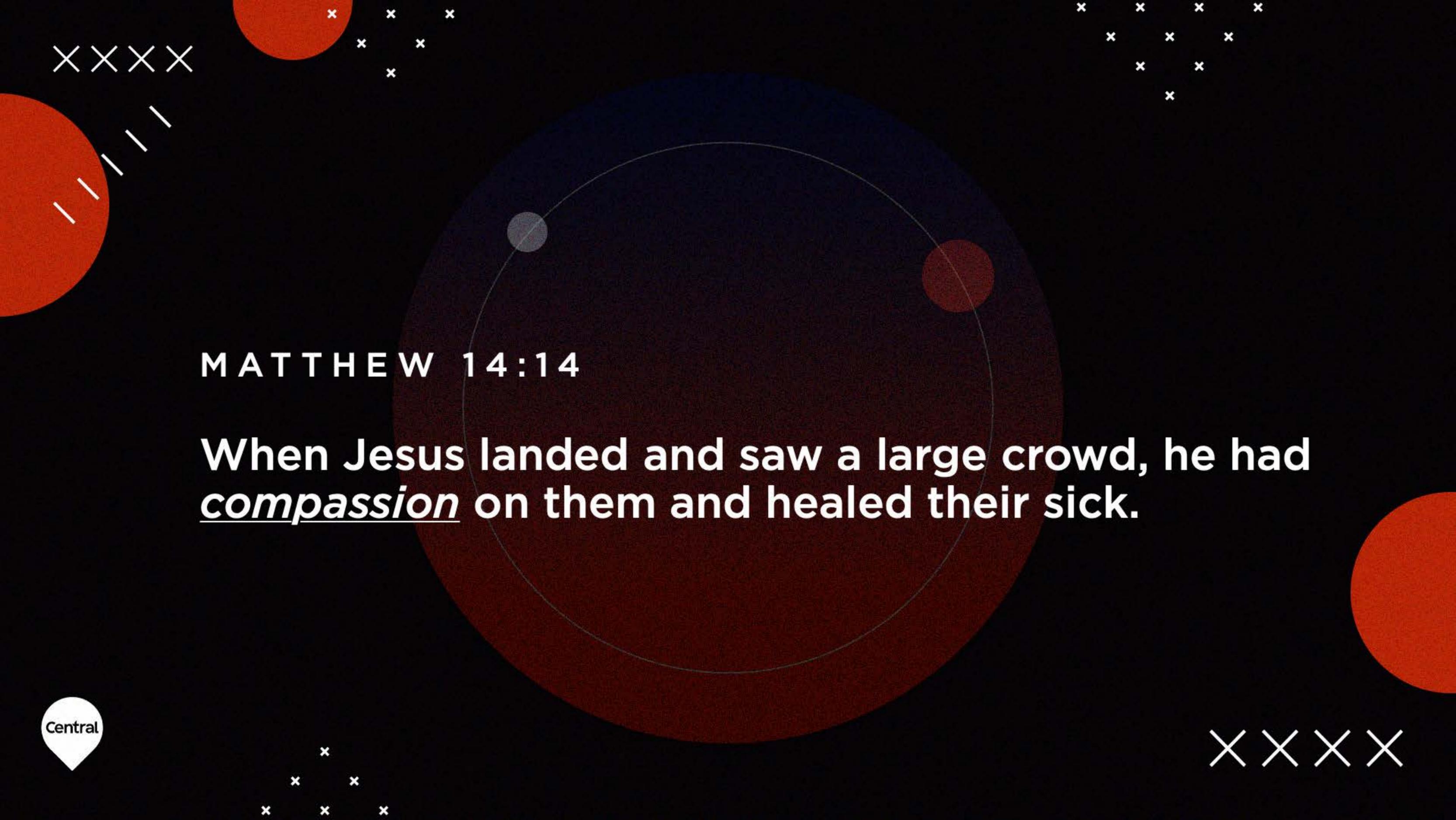
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We never pray for someone to do something we are not willing to do ourselves.

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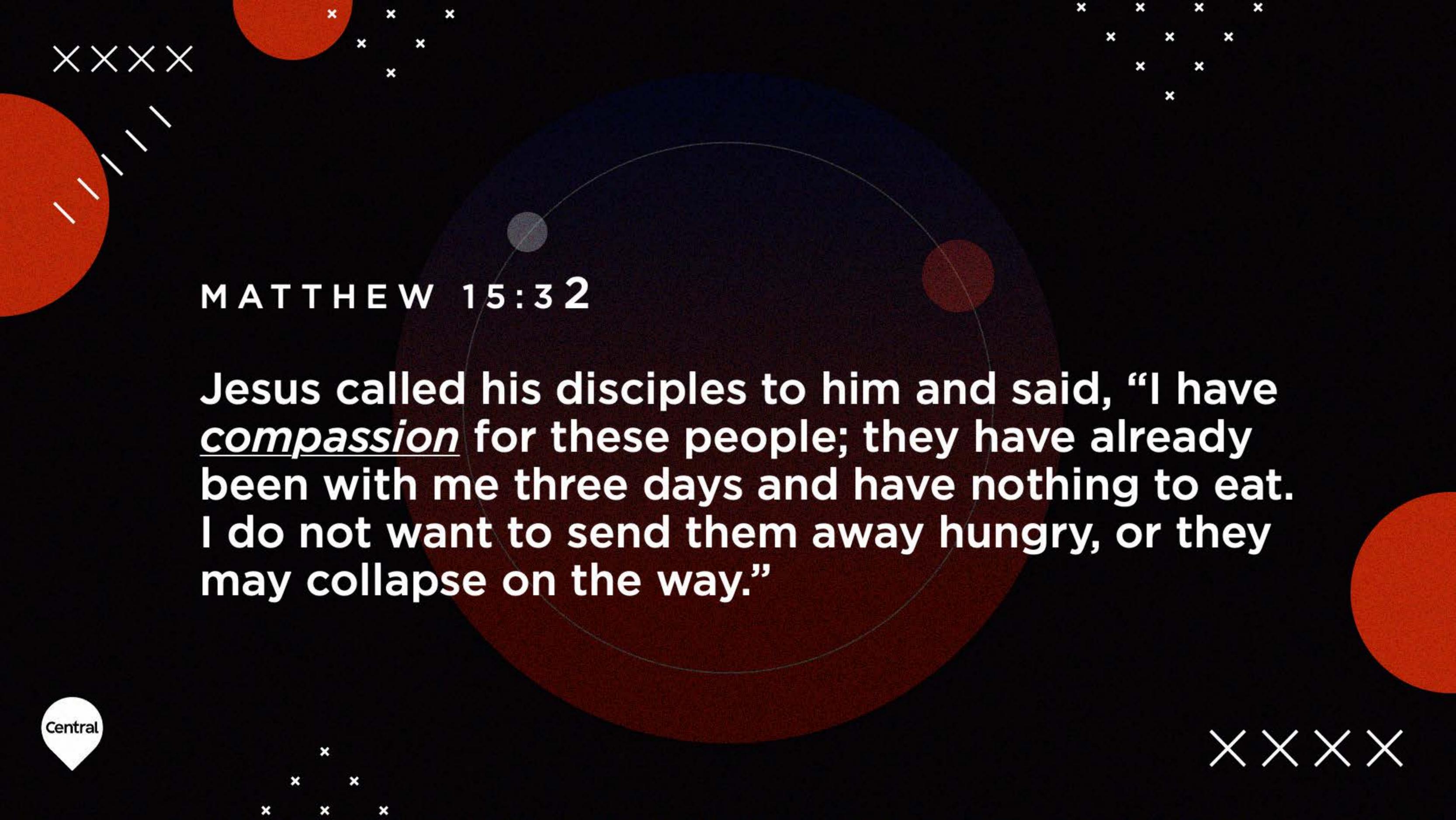
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Christ's compassion is to be the bridge between the Gospel and the things I do to bring it to the world.



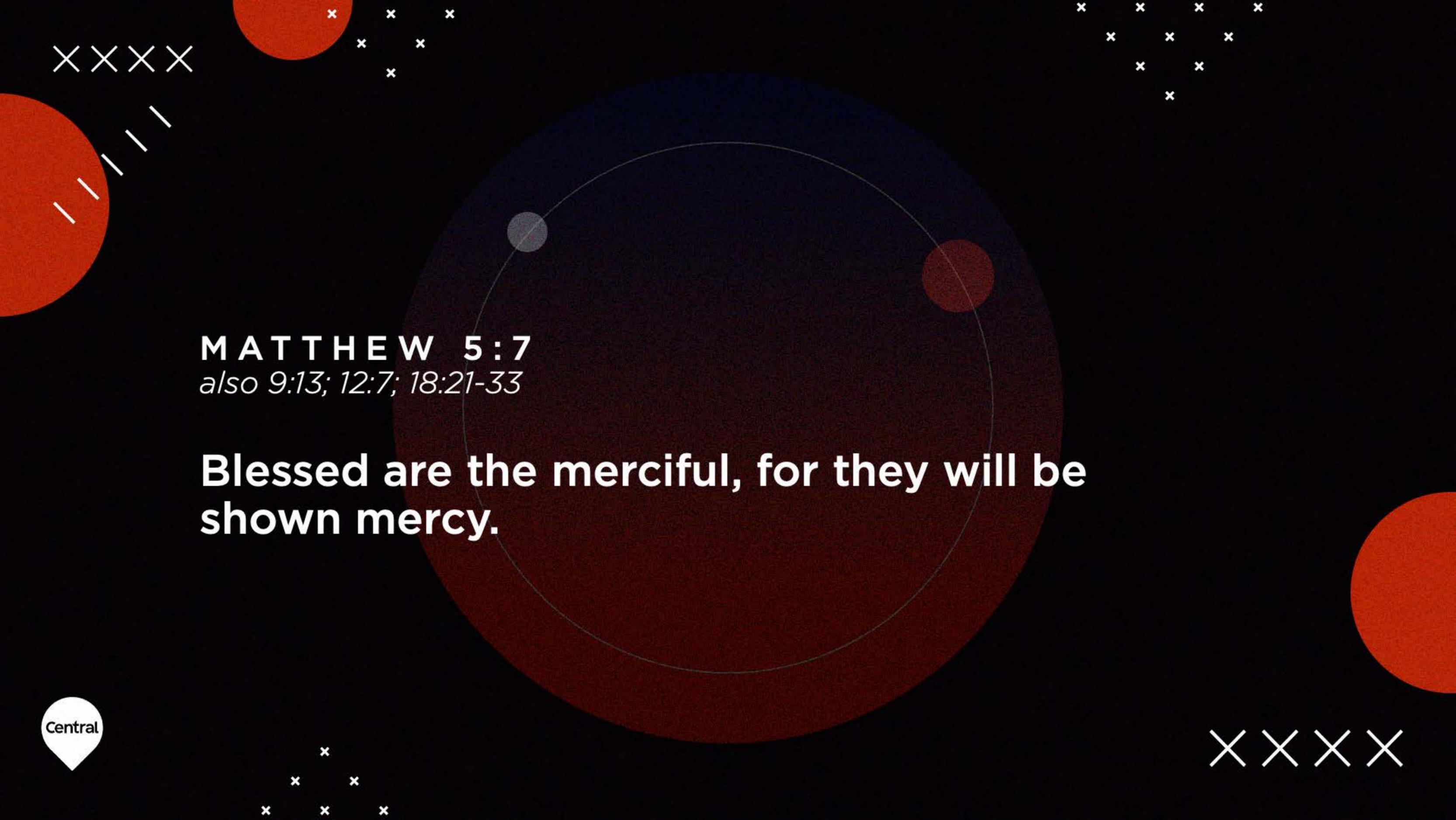
MATTHEW 14:14

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had *compassion* on them and healed their sick.



MATTHEW 15:32

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 5:7
also 9:13; 12:7; 18:21-33

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

The best thing we can do to seize the moment is
**ENSURE THAT NOTHING DISTORTS
THE BEST NEWS IN HISTORY.**