**Showing Compassion**

**Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56**

**Here are some activities you can do this week together as a family**

BIBLE PASSAGE

Read together the story from Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56 and then consider the questions below:

* I wonder how you can be a caring ‘shepherd’ this week?
* I wonder where you go to take some time out and to have space to think?
* I wonder who cares for you like a shepherd?
* I wonder how you could show compassion this week?

In this week’s passage Jesus shows compassion for people wanting teaching and healing. He is like a shepherd caring for his sheep. When the crowds are gone Jesus takes time to be alone.

Game – Pictionary

Play a game of Pictionary!

Take it in turn to draw different hobbies and see if you can guess what hobbies other people draw too! For example, knitting, playing football, baking

Prayer book

Make a prayer book by folding a piece of card in half (length ways). Then make zig zag (concertina) folds to create a booklet. On each page draw different things that you want to give thanks for or would like to ask God to help you with

**GET CREATIVE!**

**Showing compassion**

**You will need: a jar or a pot, pens, stickers, paper, card, lollipop sticks**

* **Decorate your jar /pot (you may need to wrap and then stick a piece of paper around your jar/pot so it is easier to colour and decorate).**
* **On lollipop sticks or small pieces of card write different ways that you could show compassion this week. For example:**
* **Smile at someone you know**
* **Help someone at school**
* **Open the door for someone**
* **Say something nice to someone**
* **Try and do as many as you can this week.**

**We would love to see your creations and you can email them to:** [**jonathannewbould@aol.com**](mailto:jonathannewbould@aol.com)

This week ….

Take some time this week to rest, speak to God and listen to what God might be saying to you in this quiet time

Psalm 23 – Sheep biscuits

You will need: biscuits, white icing, smarties, strawberry laces (or something similar)

Decorate your biscuit with some white icing for the sheep. You could even use some mini marshmallows. Use some strawberry laces from legs and a smartie or sweet for the head