

# Faith In Action

**MATTHEW 25 : 31-46**

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# Introduction

- When people have any needs we should help them by visiting them, by fulfilling their needs without any selfish reasons.
- In the gospel of Matthew chapter 25:31-46, we learn that our faith should be demonstrated with actions.

# Interpretation of the passage

- The judgment of the nations in Matthew 25:31-46 will be after the seven year tribulation. It is not the white throne judgment as mentioned in Revelation 20:11-15
- Sheep are the believers.
- Goats are non-believers.

# Interpretation of the passage

- Brothers are the Jewish believers who will trust Christ and will be persecuted during the great tribulation.
- The principles taught in this passage are timeless and are applicable to us.

# **Intervention Principles for body care.**

- When people are in need:
- We should visit them.
- We should meet their needs.
- We should do this without any selfish motives.
- We should do this for God.

# **We should visit the people in need.**

- Jesus commended the believers who visited the sick and prisoners.
- James 1:27 says “Pure and undefiled religion in the sight of our God and Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.”

# **We should visit the people in need.**

- Visiting the needy is an important ministry of the Church. It encourages people and promotes growth. Acts 15:36
- Keep your visits sweet, short, simple, without slander and spiritual.

**We should meet the needs of people.**

• Jesus Said " For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me " 25:25-26



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- Acts 4:34-35 “that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.”

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- With the discernment of The Holy Spirit, I believe, we should be sensitive to the physical, social, psychological and spiritual needs of the people and meet those needs to the best of our ability.

**We should do this unselfishly.**

- “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you as a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and

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- I believe these believers helped the needy without any expectation.
- They feel surprised when they were rewarded for their actions.
- We should serve God and His people with clear motives and without any selfishness.

# CONCLUSION

- Whenever people are in any physical, social, spiritual, psychological need, we should fulfill it by visiting them and providing tangible help.
- We should do this unselfishly for the glory of God.