

Authentic Compassion – Week 1

## Enough

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*Tell those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which will soon be gone...their trust should be in the living God, who richly gives us **all we need** for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and should give generously to those in need, always being ready to share with others whatever God has given them.* 1 Timothy 6:17-18 (NLT)

*...give me neither poverty nor riches! Give me just enough to satisfy my needs.* Proverbs 30:8 (NLT)

*...you do what you can, not what you can't. The heart regulates the hands. This isn't so others can take it easy while you sweat it out. No, you're shoulder to shoulder with them all the way, your surplus matching their deficit, their surplus matching your deficit. In the end you come out even. As it is written, "Those who gathered a lot had nothing left over, and those who gathered only a little had enough." 2 Corinthians 8:12-14 (MSG), 15 (NLT)*

*Let me tell you why you are here. You're here to be salt-seasoning that brings out the God-flavors of this earth...be generous with your lives.* Matthew 5:13a, 16b (MSG)