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**“And of Some Have Compassion” (Jude 22)**

Dear Pastor,

The dictionary definition of *compassion* is “sympathetic consciousness of others’ distress together with a desire to alleviate it.” That seems to effectively capture the idea of Greek verb in Jude 22 which means “to show mercy or compassion.”

The KJV translates the rest of Jude 22 as “making a difference.” That may not be the best translation for the word used there, but I think it captures the intent of the verse. There is a reason for having compassion—for showing mercy—and that reason is to make a difference.



On a recent Zoom call with a pastor and a legislator, the legislator shared that he had never felt more overwhelmed and helpless than he has the last few months. **As a ministry leader, you are uniquely gifted to engage our elected officials.** If that call was any indication, your elected officials need your ministry more than ever.

The primary focus of the Church Ambassador Network is to help the shepherds of the church connect with the “shepherds” of government. We are not asking you to engage with them for political purposes, but for gospel purposes. I can’t do it for you, but I can partner with you.

**Our elected officials need the kind of one-on-one ministry that only you can have with them.** Whether an elected official is on your side of the issues or not, (s)he needs the influence and impact of a godly pastor like you in his/her life. Investing in the lives of others, including elected officials, will reap eternal dividends.

I stand ready to help you reach out to your state representatives in any way I can. Please call or text me at 920-342-1928, or email me: [dlingle@wifamilycouncil.org](mailto:dlingle@wifamilycouncil.org). “And of some have compassion, making a difference” (Jude 22).

In Christ,

Dave Lingle  
WFC Church Ambassador

PPS: If you haven’t watched our 4-½ minute video on the work of the Church Ambassador Network, you can view it [HERE](#). Further information about the work of the CAN is also available there.

PPS: We are excited to announce several upcoming WFC community events. June 18 in Rhinelander, June 25 in Beloit, and July 9 at Trail Ridge Camp in Hillsboro. Details and to registration can be found on our website [HERE](#).