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## Identify with Their Needs

**To pray effectively for others, we must be able to identify with their needs. Spiritually and emotionally, we must feel what they feel. When Jesus looked out over the crowd, He had “compassion for them” (Matt. 20:34; also see 9:36; 14:14; Mark 1:41; Luke 7:113). He felt what they felt. Christ was tempted and tried in every point that we are (Heb. 4:15). Why? One reason was so He could pray effectively for us. He knows how we feel in every situation we face. When you and I talk with the Lord He can identify with us. He lived at home for 30 years; He knows the problems encountered there. He worked in a carpenter’s shop; He can identify with the laborer. He was hated and rejected; He can identify with the downtrodden... AMEN.**

Dr. Charles Stanley

*“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” Matthew 28:18 – 20*

