



Standing near his cross were Jesus' mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. ²⁶ When Jesus saw his mother and the follower he loved standing nearby, **he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son."** ²⁷ Then he said to the follower, "Here is your mother." From that time on, the follower took her to live in his home. **John 19:25-27** (NCV)

ON MY BAD DAY, WHY SHOULD I CARE ABOUT THOSE WHO CARE FOR ME?

1. Because when I hurt, those who care for me _____.

...Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother, "This child is the reason that many people in Israel will be condemned and many others will be saved. He will be a sign that will expose ³⁵ the thoughts of those who reject him. And a sword will pierce your heart." **Luke 2:34-35** (GW)

A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. **Luke 23:27** (NIV)

2. BECAUSE I WILL _____.

People will reap exactly what they sow... ⁹ So let us not become tired of doing good; for if we do not give up, the time will come when we will reap the harvest. **Galatians 6:7, 9** (TEV)

The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped. **Proverbs 11:25** (MP)

3. BECAUSE IT MAY BE MY ONLY _____.

...the Lord Jesus himself said, "There is more happiness in giving than in receiving." **Acts 20:35** (TEV)

4. BECAUSE IT _____.

This is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and gave you an example to follow. So you should do as he did. **1 Peter 2:21** (NCV)

The Son of Man did not come to be served. He came to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many people. **Mark 10:45** (NCV)

ON MY BAD DAY, HOW CAN I CARE FOR THOSE WHO CARE FOR ME?

1. I will _____ my care with _____.

When Jesus saw his mother and the follower he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Dear woman... **John 19:26a** (NCV)

Rash language cuts and maims, but there is healing in the words of the wise. **Proverbs 12:18** (MP)

2. I will _____ them with other _____.

...he said to his mother, "Dear woman, here is your son." ²⁷ Then he said to the follower, "Here is your mother." From that time on, the follower took her to live in his home. **John 19:26b-27** (NCV)

- Jesus gives us a _____ to provide continuing care, and He calls that community the _____.

⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully. **Romans 12:4-8** (NIV)

- Different _____ help with different _____.

God wanted the different parts to care the same for each other. ²⁶ If one part of the body suffers, all the other parts suffer with it. **1 Corinthians 12:25-26** (NCV)

3. I will _____ to exemplifying _____.

Jesus shouted, "Father, I entrust my spirit into your hands!" With those words he breathed his last... ⁴⁹ Jesus' friends, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance watching. **Luke 23:48-49** (NLT)

- The greatest care I can provide is _____ care.

What profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? **Matthew 16:26** (NKJV)