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## 2025\_11\_23 Matt 10v32-39





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Scripture



Therefore, everyone who will acknowledge me before others, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. But whoever denies me before others, I will also deny him before my Father in heaven. Don't assume that I came to bring peace on the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I came to turn



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Scripture





a man against his father,  
a daughter against her mother,  
a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;  
and a man's enemies will be  
the members of his household.



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Scripture



The one who loves a father or mother more than me is  
not worthy of me; the one who loves a son or daughter  
more than me is not worthy of me. And whoever doesn't  
take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me.  
Anyone who finds his life will lose it, and anyone who  
loses his life because of me will find it.

Matthew 10v32-39 (CSB)



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Scripture





Jesus begins with **allegiance** because your deepest relationship shapes every other relationship.



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Scripture



When Jesus becomes your most important relationship, every other relationship finds its rightful place.



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Scripture





When Jesus said he had not come to “bring peace but a sword,” he meant this would be the **effect** of his coming, not the **purpose** of his coming.



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Scripture



“The most treacherous act of human disloyalty was not disloyalty to one’s spouse. It was the betrayal of one’s brother.”

Joseph Hellerman



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Scripture





Every one of us aches for love.



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Scripture



Surrendering our relationships to Jesus frees us to love people deeply without asking them to be our identity.



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Scripture





**This is my command: Love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this: to lay down his life for his friends.**

**John 15v12-13 (CSB)**



**12**

**Scripture**



**When we surrender our relationships to Jesus, he teaches us to love others well without making them ultimate.**



**13**

**Scripture**





We often build our identity on the people we love.  
Jesus invites us to surrender those relationship to him.  
Once Jesus holds the center, he fills our relational longing.  
From that place of security, we can finally love others well.



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Scripture



Relationships flourish when Jesus is your most  
important relationship.



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Scripture





Healthy relationships require a secure identity.



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Scripture



Differentiation means my identity is secure enough in Jesus that I don't **collapse** into your emotions or **control** your emotions.



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Scripture





Love must flow from who I am becoming in Jesus.



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Scripture



Surrender creates space for others to be human.



19

Scripture





**Surrendering our relationships to Jesus frees us to love people deeply without asking them to be our identity.**

