



Here Am I, Send Me

Matthew 10:34-42 NIV

1. FOLLOWING JESUS MIGHT DIVIDE YOUR FAMILY.

Matthew 10:34–37 *Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to turn “a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law— a man’s enemies will be the members of his own household.” Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.*

On the other hand, you are adopted into the family of God!

Matthew 12:46–50 *While Jesus was still talking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside, wanting to speak to him. Someone told him, “Your mother and brothers are standing outside, wanting to speak to you.” He replied to him, “Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?” Pointing to his disciples, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother.”*

2. FOLLOWING JESUS CAN BE DANGEROUS.

Matthew 10:38 *Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me.*

On the other hand, walking with Christ is very life-giving!

Matthew 10:39 *Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.*

3. GOSPEL HOSPITALITY CAN BE HARD WORK.

Matthew 10:40-41 *Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person’s reward.*

On the other hand, hospitality is very rewarding!

Matthew 10:42 *And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.*

Genesis 15:1 *The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your very great reward."*

**This mission is impossible without extreme love for Jesus!
Therefore... remember His good news!**

GUILT: WE ARE THOROUGHLY CORRUPTED.

Romans 3:10-11 *There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands, there is no one who seeks God.*

Jeremiah 2:22 *"Although you wash yourself with soap and use an abundance of cleansing powder, the stain of your guilt is still before me," declares the Sovereign Lord.*

GRACE: JESUS SAVED US FROM DEATH TO LIFE.

Ephesians 2:8-9 *For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.*

John 10:11, 27-28 *I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand.*

GRATITUDE MOTIVATES US TO SHARE THE NEWS!

John 4:19 *We love because he first loved us.*

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Isaiah 6:8 *Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,*

"Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"

And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"