



Gaining by Losing...

Matthew 10:34-42




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Main Point:

- **Gaining Jesus is Worth Any Loss.**
- Jesus Message will Divide vs. 34-36
- The Cost of Discipleship vs. 37-39
- Many will Receive the Message vs. 40-42

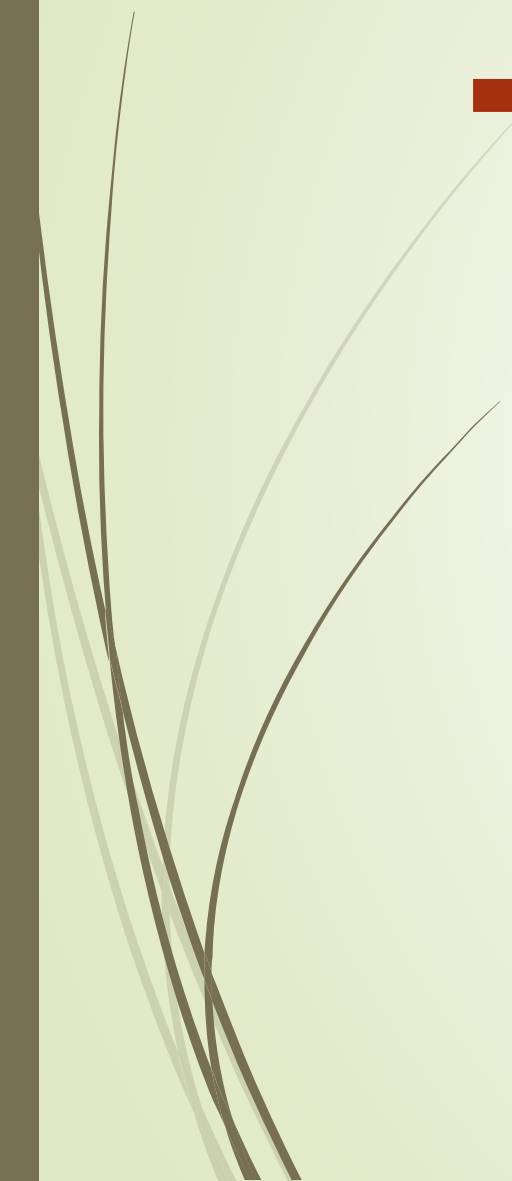


Jesus Message Will Divide vs. 34-36

- A Sword not Peace
 - The Loss - Divided Families
 - The Gain – Christian Community
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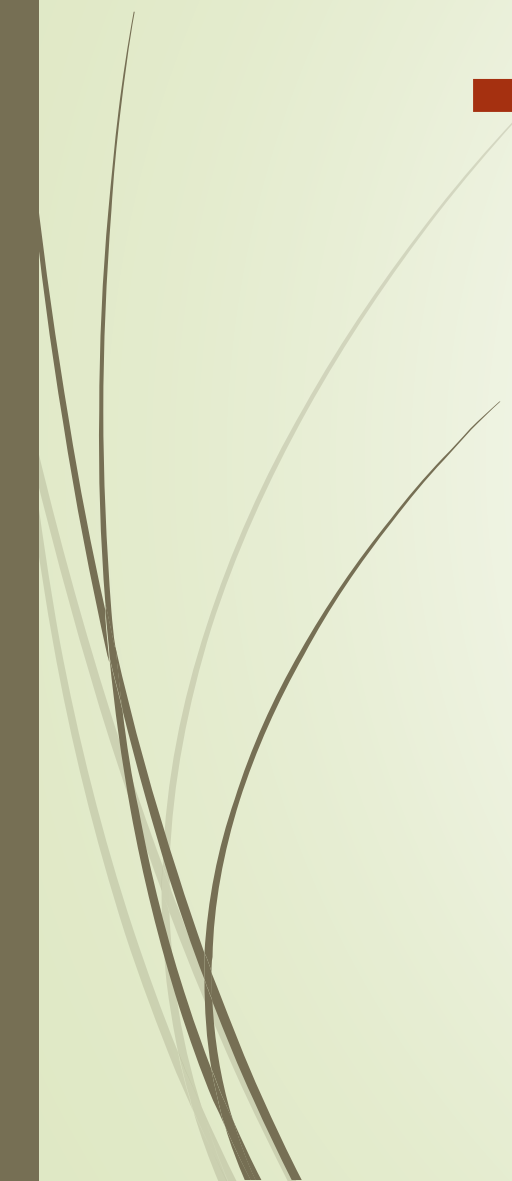


The Cost of Discipleship vs. 37-39

- Competing loves
 - Family vs. 37
 - Self vs. 38
 - Gaining Jesus is worth any loss vs. 39
 - If you spend yourself on your own life, it will lead to death. If you spend yourself on Christ, it will lead to eternal life.
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The Cost of Discipleship vs. 37-39

- ▶ Competing loves
 - ▶ Family vs. 37
 - ▶ What our families most need from us is to know that we love Jesus Christ more than them and to see our lives lived out in light of that truth.
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The Cost of Discipleship vs. 37-39

- ▶ Take your cross and follow Him
 - ▶ Live for yourself or die to yourself
- ▶ Jesus shows us the way of the cross.
 - ▶ **Since Jesus lost His life in order to gain us, we are free to lose ourselves by following Him**



Many Will Receive His Message vs. 40-42

- Will the gain be worth the losses?
 - The reward is the Father, Son, and Spirit vs. 40 & 20
 - The reward is seeing people receive Jesus vs. 41
 - The reward is purpose vs. 42