

## Jesus Brings Life

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life...abundantly.  
**John 10:10 ESV**

### 1. Jesus Warns Against a Spirit of hatred and murder.

Jesus: "love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you! In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven.." **Matthew 5:43-44 NLT**

"You're familiar with the command... 'Do not murder.' I'm telling you that anyone who is so much as angry with a brother or sister is guilty of murder. Carelessly call a brother 'idiot!' and you just might find yourself hauled into court. Thoughtlessly yell 'stupid!' at a sister and you are on the brink of hellfire. The simple moral fact is that words kill. **Matthew 5:21-22 MSG**

God blesses those who work for peace, for they will be called the children of God. **Matthew 5:9 NLT**

### 2. Jesus Condemns Rejoicing in another's downfall.

Don't be happy when your enemy is defeated; don't be glad when he is overwhelmed. The Lord will notice and be displeased. **Proverbs 24:17-18a NCV**

Lord, should we call down fire from heaven to burn them up?" But Jesus turned and rebuked them. So they went on to another village. **Luke 9:54b-56 NLT**

### 3. You are gonna have to make a decision between God or the world.

And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." **Joshua 24:15 ESV**

No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money. **Matthew 6:24 ESV**

Jesus said to them... "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you."  
**John 20:21 GW**

#### **4. Jesus is the prize!**

More than that, I now regard all things as liabilities compared to the far greater value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things—indeed, I regard them as dung!—that I may gain Christ. **Philippians 3:8 NET**

I keep pursuing the goal to win the prize of God's heavenly call in Christ Jesus. **Philippians 3:14 ISV**

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