

# Behold, Your Mother

## The Last Words of Jesus, part 3

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Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister Mary, the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple (John) whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, 'Dear woman, here is your son,' and to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.  
*John 19:25-27 (NIV)*

### How to love like Jesus

#### 1. I should care for my family

Honor your father and your mother. *Exodus 20:12 (NLT)*

Take care of any widow who has no one else to care for her. But if she has children or grandchildren, their first responsibility is to show godliness at home and repay their parents by taking care of them. This is something that pleases God.  
*1 Timothy 5:3-4 (NLT)*

But those who won't care for their relatives, especially those in their own household, have denied the true faith. Such people are worse than unbelievers.

*1 Timothy 5:8 (NLT)*

Friends love through all kinds of weather, and families stick together in all kinds of trouble.  
*Proverbs 17:17 (MSG)*

#### 2. I should treat other believers as family

Never speak harshly to an older man, but appeal to him respectfully as you would to your own father. Talk to younger men as you would to your own

brothers. Treat older women as you would your mother, and treat younger women with all purity as you would your own sisters. *1 Timothy 5:1-2 (NLT)*

Be devoted to each other like a loving family. Excel in showing respect for each other.  
*Romans 12:10 (GW)*

Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith.  
*Galatians 6:10 (NLT)*

Share each other's troubles and problems, and in this way obey the law of Christ.  
*Galatians 6:2 (NLT)*

#### 3. I should see other's pain even when I am in pain

Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus. *Philippians 2:5 (NIV)*

Since Christ suffered and underwent pain, you must have the same attitude he did; you must be ready to suffer, too. For remember, when your body suffers, sin loses its power.  
*1 Peter 4:1 (LB)*

So then, since Christ suffered physical pain, you must arm yourselves with the same attitude he had, and be ready to suffer, too.  
*1 Peter 4:1 (NLT)*

4. I should meet other's needs even when mine  
are not met

Each one of us needs to look after the good of the  
people around us,  
asking ourselves, 'how can I help?' Romans 15:2-3  
(MSG)

When God's children are in need, be the one to  
help them out. Get into the habit of inviting  
guests home for dinner or, if they need lodging, for  
the night.

*Romans*

12:13 (NLT)