

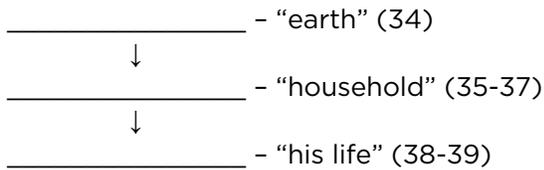
Why was Christianity uniquely offensive to the Roman culture?

- Exclusive _____
- Inclusive _____
- Distinctive _____

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.”
Matthew 10:34

sword = the _____ response of many to the _____

Why will so many be so hostile?



* Jesus is the ultimate means of _____!

1. Look - We must recognize that every _____ has _____ assumptions.

Five ways to find your self/life -

- The _____ self -
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Why does this matter?

2. Love - We find in _____ a _____.

“Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.”

Matthew 10:37

3. Live - We find _____ as we die to _____ and _____.

“And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.”

Matthew 10:38-39