A person wearing a dark suit and tie is holding a white rectangular sign with both hands. The sign contains the same text as the first image, "WHAT IF JESUS REALLY MEANT WHAT HE SAID?", with "JESUS" and "SAID?" in red. To the right of the text are three bullet points.

- More than a few people are unwilling to take Jesus at his word.
- They appeal to God's grace over obedience.
- (Matthew 16:21-23)
 - "Far be it from you, Lord" – a Hebraism.
 - Literally – "God be merciful."
 - Notice Jesus' response – "Get behind me, Satan."

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Mark 16:15-16

- Just why do so many people want to argue with this clear statement of Jesus?
- If something other than salvation were at stake, would people understand it?
- (John 3:3-5).

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Matthew 7:21-23

- Is sincerity enough?
- Does obedience really matter?
- (Acts 23:1).
- (Luke 6:46).

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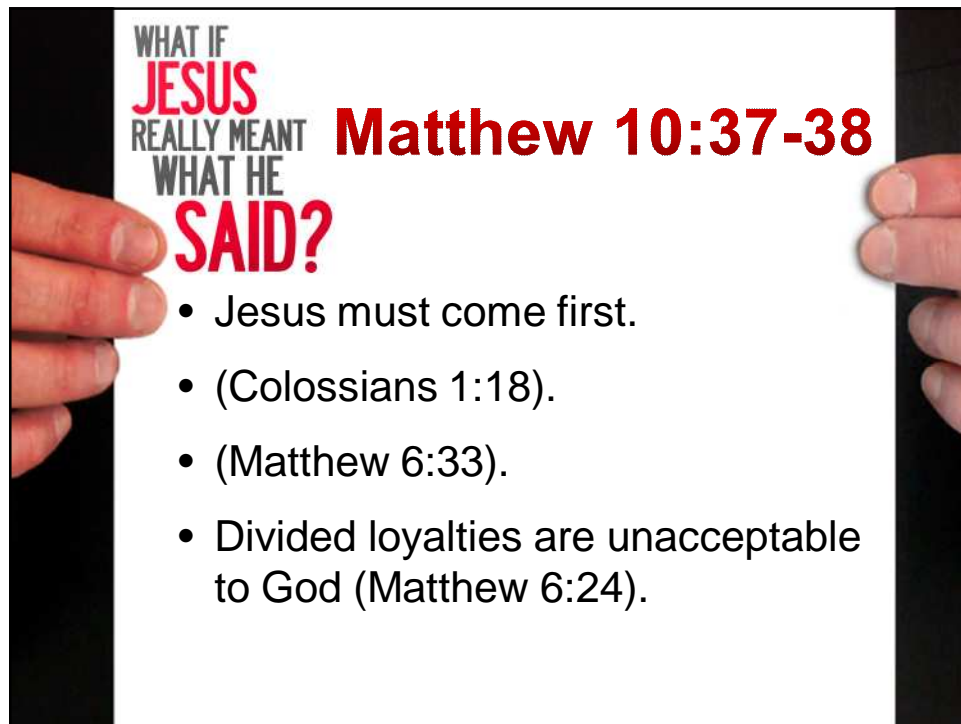
Matthew 18:21-35

- Forgiveness of others is not optional.
- (Luke 17:3-4).
- (Ephesians 4:31).
- (Matthew 5:22).

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John 8:24; 14:6

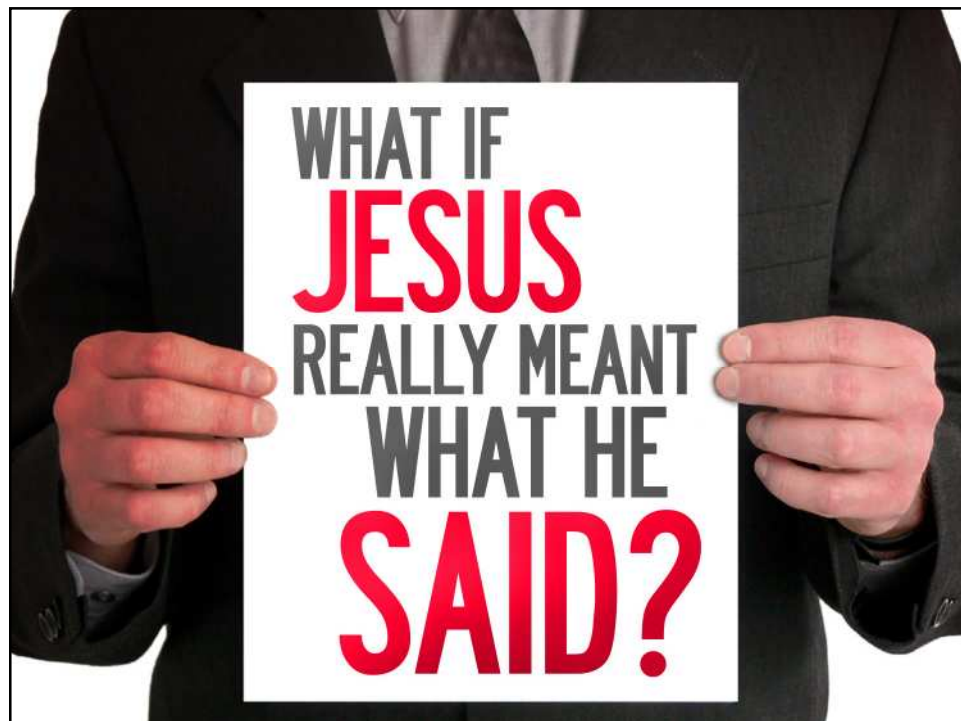
- There is no other way to the Father except through Jesus
- (Acts 4:12).
- The morality of God demands that Jesus be the only way.



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Matthew 10:37-38

- Jesus must come first.
- (Colossians 1:18).
- (Matthew 6:33).
- Divided loyalties are unacceptable to God (Matthew 6:24).



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