

The Great Misunderstanding

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Matthew 22:34-40

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Why are relationships so important?

- Our relationship to God determines our **eternal destiny**.
 - There is no such thing as the Fatherhood of God and the **brotherhood** of all men.
 - John 1:12-13
 - 1John 3: 1
 - There is no such thing as an **alternate route** to the Father in Heaven.
 - Colossians 1:21-22
- Our fellowship with God is determined by **earthly relationships**
 - Love is God's **greatest** command
 - Love is God's **first** command
 - Matthew 22:37-40
 - Love is God's **oldest** command
 - 1 John 3:11
 - Leviticus 19:18
 - Love is God's **complete** command
 - Matt 22:40
 - Romans 13:9
- Our **sonship** in God's family is verified by our relationships with the people of our life.
 - 1 John 4:7-8

Summary: So what is the great misunderstanding?

- It is the thought that I can be right with God without being right with **the people of my life.**