

*I have come to set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. Your enemies will be right in your own household!* **Matthew 10:35, 36 (NLT)**

*Do you think I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I have come to divide people against each other! From now on families will be split apart, three in favor of me, and two against—or two in favor and three against. Father will be divided against son and son against father; mother against daughter and daughter against mother; and mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.* **Luke 12:51-53 (NLT)**

*For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.* **Isaiah 9:6, 7 (NIV)**

*Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.* **Luke 2:14 (NIV)**

*Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.* **Matthew 5:9 (NIV)**

*...and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.* **Ephesians 6:15 (NIV)**

*For even his own brothers did not believe in him.* **John 7:5 (NIV)**

*Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."* **Mark 3:20, 21 (NIV)**

## WHEN JESUS BRINGS DIVISION TO YOUR WORLD...

### 1. BE \_\_\_\_\_ NOT \_\_\_\_\_

*Live wisely among those who are not believers, and make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone.* **Colossians 4:5, 6 (NLT)**

*Gracious words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.* **Proverbs 16:24 (NIV)**

*In the same way, you wives should yield to your husbands. Then, if some husbands do not obey God's teaching, they will be persuaded to believe without anyone's saying a word to them. They will be persuaded by the way their wives live.* **1 Peter 3:1 (NCV)**

### 2. BE \_\_\_\_\_ NOT \_\_\_\_\_

*Don't you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can't you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin?* **Romans 2:4 (NLT)**

*What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those inside? God will judge those outside...* **1 Corinthians 5:12, 13 (NIV)**

### 3. BE \_\_\_\_\_ NOT \_\_\_\_\_

*Always be full of joy in the Lord. I say it again—rejoice!* **Philippians 4:4 (NLT)**

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.* **Romans 15:13 (NIV)**

*For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.* **Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)**