

The image shows the spine of an old, thick book with many pages, bound in dark brown leather. The book is positioned on the left side of the frame, with its spine facing right. The pages are aged and yellowed, and the leather shows signs of wear and tear. The background is a dark, solid color, possibly black or dark brown, which makes the book and the text stand out.

Matthew's Messiah

*The life and ministry of Jesus
from Matthew's perspective*

³² “Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. ³³ But whoever disowns me before others, I will disown before my Father in heaven.

34 “Do not suppose that I have come
to bring peace to the earth.
I did not come to bring peace,
but a sword.

³⁵ For I have come to turn “ ‘a man
against his father, a daughter against
her mother, a daughter-in-law
against her mother-in-law—
³⁶ a man’s enemies will be the
members of his own household.’

37 “Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

³⁸ Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.

40 “Anyone who welcomes you
welcomes me, and anyone who
welcomes me welcomes the
one who sent me.

⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward.

42 And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.”

Is there anyone (or anything)
that you love more
than Jesus?