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2 Timothy 2:1-13

Disown is a strong word. It paints the picture of a child yelling at his father, "You're dead to me!" Or maybe a friend saying, "I don't ever want to see you again" and then turning her back on her ex-best friend.

When it comes to Jesus, most Christians would quickly say they have never disowned Him. He's their Savior, after all. He is the one who gave His life for them. Surely they have never turned their back on Him. But then I read verses like Matthew 7:21, where Jesus told His followers that not all of them would be saved, and I wonder about my actions. I wonder . . . are there ever times when I fail to love my neighbor as myself? When I focus so much on doing for Jesus that I fail to sit at His feet and learn from Him? When I chase after my own dreams instead of His plans?

Maybe our picture of disown is a little off. Maybe instead of an angry child, we should picture a selfish woman, unwilling to give up her desires for the God she claims to love.

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