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**OT Reference:** Is. 7:14 **NT Reference:** Mt. 27:56; Luke 2; Jn. 2:4, 17; Gal. 6:10; Eph. 5:25

**John 19:26 – 27:** <sup>26</sup> When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your son!" <sup>27</sup> Then he said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home.

**In this text**, at the Crucifixion of Jesus, he entrusts the care of His mother Mary to his beloved disciple John.

**For us today**, we must understand that what Jesus does on the Cross fundamentally changes the nature of every \_\_\_\_\_ we have.

→ \_\_\_\_\_ of our Relationships must be Cross-centered.

- The Lord cares about our **physical** and emotional well-being.
- Our **spiritual** needs are much greater than our physical needs.
- The most important part of any relationship is how we relate to one another through Jesus by way of the \_\_\_\_\_.

- Our relationship to Jesus makes all new relationships and all relationships \_\_\_\_\_.
- **Cross-centered relationships are formed by the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.**
  - We come to Jesus as He **calls** us.
  - We care for others as He **commands** us.
- **Cross-centered relationships are founded upon the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.**
  - There are relationships we'd never have if we didn't **know** Jesus.
  - There are relationships that would never **last** if it weren't for what Jesus does.
- **Cross-centered relationships are maintained by the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.** (Keeping His Commands)
  - We bear one another's **burdens**.
  - We \_\_\_\_\_ one another.

**John 13:34** "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another."

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