

## Main Reading

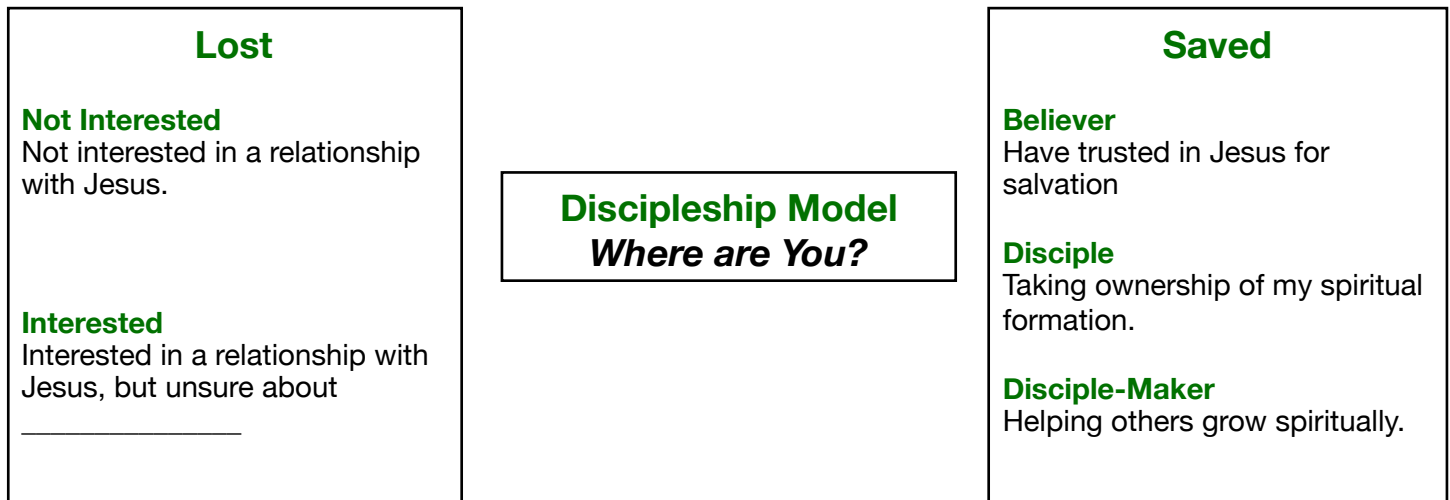
### Matthew 22:34–40 CSB

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they came together. And one of them, an expert in the law, asked a question to test him: “Teacher, which command in the law is the greatest?”

He said to him, “**Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.** This is the greatest and most important command. The second is like it: **Love your neighbor as yourself.** All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commands.

### Optional Extra Reading:

- Deuteronomy 6:4–9
- John 15:1–11
- Luke 15



## Discussion Questions

1. Based on the 5 stages in the D-Model (explain them), where would you say you are in this season of spiritual formation? Why so?
2. When it comes to spiritual growth, what are some things that come easier to you (i.e. serving, prayer, Bible reading, etc.) ?
3. When it comes to spiritual growth, what are some things that are a challenge to you?
4. Do you really believe that Jesus is always pursuing a closer relationship with you? Why or why not?
5. Based on where you are in this season, what do you think is the best next-step for you? How can we help each other?