Who are our brethren?

Who should be our true friends?

This is the distinction between who we can consider as our close friends, separately from our acquaintances/enemies. We must be able to make this clear distinction or we may end up in the snare of Satan.

1 Corinthians 3:11, For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Yahusha Ha'Mashiach.

Psalms 119:63, I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts.

Psalms 119:74, 79 They that fear thee will be glad when they see me; because I have hoped in thy word. Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have known thy testimonies.

Psalms 101:6, Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me: he that walketh in a perfect way, he shall serve me.

Malachi 3:16, Then they that feared the ADON spake often one to another: and the ADON hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the ADON, and that thought upon his name.

Proverbs 1:5, A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels:

1 Corinthians 15:33, Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.

Matthew 12:50, For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

1 John 4:6 (NLT) But we belong to Elohim; that is why those who know Elohim listen to us. If they do not belong to Elohim, they do not listen to us. That is how we know if someone has the Spirit of truth or the spirit of deception.

Psalms 35:27, Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the ADON be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

Who are not your brethren nor friends and should be separated from you?

Psalms 1:1, Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the unholy, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

Proverbs 1:10, My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not.

2 John 1:10-11, If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

Psalms 35:12-15, They rewarded me evil for good to the spoiling of my soul. But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth: I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom. I behaved myself as though he had been my friend or brother: I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother. But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: yea, the abjects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew it not; they did tear me, and ceased not.

1 John 2:19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

Jeremiah 15:19 Therefore thus saith the ADON, If thou return, then will I bring thee again, and thou shalt stand before me: and if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt be as my mouth: let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.

2 Corinthians 6:17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Adon, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

Psalms 101:3-5, 7 I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me. A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked person. Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer. He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

2 Corinthians 6:14-18

Be ye not unequally **yoked together** with **unbelievers**: for what fellowship hath *righteousness* with unrighteousness? and what communion hath *light with darkness*? And what concord hath *Messiah with Belial*? or what part hath he that *believeth with an infidel*? And what agreement hath the temple of *Elohim with idols*? for ye are the temple of the living El; as Elohim hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their Elohim, and they shall be my people. Wherefore **come out from among them**, and *be ye separate*, saith the Adon, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Adon Almighty.

1 Corinthians 5:11-13 But now I have written unto you **not to keep company**, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat. For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within? But them that are without, Elohim judgeth. **Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person**.

Romans 16:17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and **avoid them**.

Titus 3:10-11 A man that is an heretick after the first and second admonition **reject**; Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.

- **1 Timothy 6:3-5** If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Adon Yahusha Ha'Mashiach, and to the doctrine which is according to holiness; he is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings, perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is holiness: **from such withdraw thyself**.
- **2 Timothy 3:2-5** For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of Elohim; Having a form of holiness, but denying the power thereof: **from such turn away.**

John 10:12-13 But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.

2 Thessalonians 3:6, 14-15 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Adon Yahusha Ha'Mashiach, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and **have no company with him, that he may be ashamed**. Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.