



LOVING JESUS MOST

JOHN 21:15-23

Loving Jesus more than anyone or anything is the Christian life. It's the only way to a purposeful, peaceful, joyful life.



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