

Family Ties

- Jesus' family members say that He is _____
- They are _____
 - They want to _____
- Jesus' enemies say that He is _____
- His power and authority are _____
 - He challenges His opponents' _____
 - He warns them of the _____
- Jesus communicates that He is _____
- His true family members are those who _____
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Make it Real

Because of what Jesus has done for me and what I have heard today,

- I will join the family of Jesus by confessing my sin and trusting Jesus to forgive me, make me acceptable to the Father, and give me new life.*
- I will choose to trust that Jesus knows what is best for me and follow His Word rather than my own wisdom even if I think it's crazy.*
- I will reflect on the choices I have been making to see if they reflect that I am more concerned about doing His will than my own.*

Personal observations from the message.

1. *How would you summarize what you learned in a sentence or two?*
2. *What was something you didn't know or were reminded of?*
3. *What point or verse did you find most helpful? Why?*
4. *What is a question you have?*
5. *What can you share with someone? Who can you share it with?*

Discussion questions from the message.

1. *Do you have any unusual family members? A crazy uncle, an eccentric aunt, a free-spirited cousin? Without divulging names, share what makes them unique? How do other family members respond to them?*

2. *Read Mark 3:20-21. What are some possible reasons for Jesus' family wanting to "seize" or "take charge of Him?"*

*What are some reasons people might want to "take charge of Jesus today?"
What might this look like?*

3. *Read Mark 3:22-27. Why do the scribes say Jesus is possessed by Satan? What don't they deny? What's the significance of this?*

Summarize Jesus' point in challenging the logic of the scribes.

What is implied in Jesus statement in verse 27?

4. *Read Mark 3:28-30. In the context of this passage, what are the scribes doing that puts them at risk of being guilty of an eternal sin?*

Can someone do the same thing today? What sin never has forgiveness?

What would you say to someone who is really concerned that they have committed an unforgiveable sin?

5. *Read Mark 3:31-35. Why are those who do the will of God the true family members of Jesus? Why is this a big deal?*