

# The Family Of God

## MATTHEW 1:18

18. *Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.*

## JOHN 1:10-11

10. *He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.*

11. *He came unto his own, and his own received him not.*

THE RESURRECTION OF LAZARUS [51-0729A] About eighteen years old, she was engaged to a widower, about forty-five, Joseph, who had four children.

*“Christianity in the ante-Nicene period was the time in Christian history up to the First Council of Nicaea. This article covers the period following the Apostolic Age of the first century, c.100 AD, to Nicaea in 325 AD. The second and third centuries saw a sharp divorce of Christianity from its early roots.” ~ Wikipedia*

*“Who has done this evil thing in my house, and defiled the virgin? Has not the history of Adam been repeated in me? For just as Adam was in the hour of his singing praise, and the serpent came, and found Eve alone, and completely deceived her, so it has happened to me also.”*

*~ Vol. VIII Ante-Nicene Fathers p.364*

LUKE 2:19 *But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.*

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*“Mary was present, and witnessed the first miracle performed by Christ, when he turned the water into wine. She had probably become a widow before this time.”*

## MATTHEW 13:54-58

54. *And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this man this wisdom, and these mighty works? 55. Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas? 56. And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this man all these things? 57. And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house. 58. And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.*

### **MARK 3:20-21**

20. *And the multitude cometh together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread.*  
21. *And when his friends heard of it, they went out to lay hold on him: for they said, **He is beside himself.***

### **JOHN 7:2-5**

2. *Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand.* 3. *His brethren therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judaea, that thy disciples also may see the works that thou doest.*  
4. *For there is no man that doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly. If thou do these things, shew thyself to the world.*  
5. *For **neither did his brethren believe in him.***

STRAIT IS THE GATE [59-0301M] ...**His own brothers didn't believe Him.** Said, "You go up to the feast." He said, "But I don't go up now." He went up another way, because **His own brethren didn't believe Him.**

### **MATTHEW 12:46-50**

46. *While he yet talked to the people, behold, his mother and his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him.* 47. *Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee.* 48. *But he answered and said unto him that told him, **Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?*** 49. *And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren!* 50. *For **whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven,** the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.*

### **JOHN 19:25-27**

25. *Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.* 26. *When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son!* 27. *Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.*

### **MATTHEW 28:5-7**

5. *And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified.* 6. ***He is not here: for he is risen,** as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.* 7. *And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.*

### **I CORINTHIANS 15:3-8**

3. *For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;* 4. *And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day*

according to the scriptures: 5. *And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: 6. After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. 7. After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles. 8. And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.*

- JAMES THE GREAT (*John The Revelator's brother / the sons of Zebedee*)
- JAMES THE LESS (*the son of Alphaeus*)
- JAMES THE JUST (*foster brother of Jesus*)

#### **ACTS 1:14**

14. *These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.*

#### **I CORINTHIANS 12:13**

13. *For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.*

THE GREATEST BATTLE EVER FOUGHT [62-0311]

The family of God doesn't draw lines of color. Whether we're red, brown, black, or yellow, doesn't matter, white. Whatever it is, we are brothers and sisters in Christ.

**JAMES 1:1a** *James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,*

**JUDE 1:1a** *Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James,*

EARNESTLY CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH [54-0404M]

Jude, wrote 6--in A.D. 66. That would be thirty-three years after Pentecost. Jude, the foster brother of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he now... One time, Jesus' brothers, foster brothers, didn't believe in Him. But we notice Jude here, saying, "*The servant of Jesus Christ...*" What a difference.

THY HOUSE [61-0808] Christian is not a church that you belong to; it's an experience that you have had of being born into the family of God.

THE ENTOMBMENT [57-0420] ...when the Son of God died, the Life that was in Him was none other but God, to come back and adopt us into the family of God. And now we are children of God, the Life from His Blood.