



# Jesus Defines His Family

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Luke 8:19-21

## **WELCOME:**

## Fixing Our Focus

## Suggested Icebreaker:

Ask GG members to share stories of how they consider some people like family members. What made them develop such deep relationships with each other? How are they like family members? Use this to segue into the lesson where Jesus considers those who hear and obey His word as family.

## **WORSHIP:**

Adoring Our God Suggested song:

Family of God

## **WORD & WALK:**

## Understanding & Applying the Word

### **LESSON AIM**

- 1. GG members will commit to studying and obeying God's Word.
- 2. GG members will be reassured of their relationship with Christ.

#### INTRODUCTION

In our passage, Luke continues his theme of hearing and obeying God's Word. Christ considers those who do so to have an intimate relationship with Him.

## Christ's biological and spiritual family (vv. 19-21)

In this passage, Christ defines who he considers his family. It is reassuring to know that we do not need to be biologically related to Christ to have this privilege. Christ extends it to all who diligently hear and obey God's Word.

- 1. Who were the people looking for Christ?
- 2. According to the Gospel of Mark, what was the reason why they sought him? (cf. Mark 3:21)
- 3. What was their attitude toward him after he rose from the grave? (cf. Acts 1:14; Galatians 1:18-19) What can you conclude from this?
- 4. What was Christ's response when he was told his family was looking for him?
- 5. What does this tell us about those whom Christ considers his family? (cf. Luke 8:15) How can this be a source of reassurance for you?

#### **APPLICATION**

We do not need to be biologically related to Jesus to be part of his family. Christ considers those who read and obey God's Word as his family. How are you doing in your study and practice of God's Word? How can you improve?

## WORD & WALK: Understanding & Applying the Word

### **PRAYER ITEM**

Dear God, thank You for making a way for us to be adopted into Your family through Jesus Christ. May we not take this for granted, but rather seek to cultivate more intimate fellowship with You by diligently studying and obeying Your Word. Teach us to submit to the leading of the Holy Spirit and follow Your will. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen. ■

