



## Communion Meditation

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*"The True Family of Jesus"*

Matthew 12:46-50

While He was still speaking to the multitudes, behold, His mother and brothers were standing outside, seeking to speak to Him.

And someone said to Him, "Behold, Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside seeking to speak to You."

But He answered the one who was telling Him and said, "Who is My mother and who are my brothers?"

And stretching out His hand toward His disciples, He said, "Behold, My mother and My brothers!

For whoever does the will of My Father who is in heaven, he is my brother and sister and mother."



## Jesus' True Family

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- His disciples are the most beloved and dearest to Him, even beyond His natural family



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- He entered into earthly kinship to bring us into a vastly superior, more satisfying relationship with Himself and His Father



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### B. Implications

1. Relationship to Jesus is our most important relationship, even beyond family
2. In Christ we are brought into a relationship with one another that is more fundamental than our natural family



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### Relationship to Communion

- *The Lord's Supper is a demonstration and promotion of our essential unity and mutual care as a family on the basis of Christ's death*

Is not the cup of blessing which we bless a sharing in the blood of Christ? Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ?

Since there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread.

1 Corinthians 10:16-17



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