
JUNE 9/10, 2018
THE REAL JESUS!
His True Family
Mark 3:13-21; 3:31-35 (p. 852)
Pastor Dennis Keating

You can access the weekly study notes PDF (outline and fill-ins) on the EFCC Sermon Messages page online at www.efcc.org/sermons/.

EFCC Open Wi-Fi Password: **John3:16**

THE MAIN POINT → Jesus was starting _____.
(Heb. 2:11; Gal. 3:28)

FOUR REQUIREMENTS ...

1. A _____ transformed by God's _____.
(Mark 1:15; John 1:12-13)

OUR PRACTICE → _____.

2. _____ attuned to God's _____.
(3:34; Mark 10:37; Luke 8:21; Matt. 17:5)

3. A _____ lived with God's _____.
(3:34)

THE POINT → You're not being raised in an " _____ " family.
(Mark 10:29-30)

4. A _____ obedient to God's _____.
(3:35; 1 John 2:3)

FROM JUNE 9/10, 2018
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR
SERMON-BASED SMALL GROUPS

Watch Pastor's Video Blog online at www.efcc.org/video-blog/
(or see the link under the GROW tab, Sermons side).

Personal preparation for your group time: Read the passage, review your outline, and think through the questions.

CONNECTING

From the Video Blog ...

1. Have you ever traveled somewhere, met another Christian and experienced a true, common connection even though you didn't know them previously? Talk about what that was like.

GROWING

Read the passage as a group.

2. This quote was mentioned in the message, "The call of Jesus is a call to embrace a larger family and a greater cause than a single family can sustain." Discuss as a group how this truth has affected, or affects, or will affect your own family and its priorities. (Mark 3:34; Galatians 3:28; Hebrews 2:11)

3. Review Point 2 on your outline. What is one thing you can continue or start to do to keep your eyes and ears on Jesus this summer?

4. Review Point 3 on your outline. Sometimes it's good to have family meetings to see how things are going. Take a few moments to evaluate how your small group has been doing this past year by asking and answering these three questions ...

- What is our group doing that you like?
- What is our group doing that you don't like?
- What is our group not doing that you would like it to start doing?

SHARING

5. Review Point 4 on your outline. What is one way you will obey the directives in the text this next week? Let that be at least one of your prayer requests.

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(For Scripture references and fill-in the blanks)

"For not even His brothers were believing in Him." John 7:5

THE MAIN POINT: Jesus was starting **a new family**. (Heb. 2:11; Gal. 3:28)

"For both He who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one Father; for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren;" Hebrews 2:11

"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." Galatians 3:28

"The call of Jesus is a call to embrace a larger family and a greater cause than a single family can sustain." Unknown

FOUR REQUIREMENTS ...

1. A **heart** transformed by God's **gospel**. (Mark 1:15; John 1:12-13)

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." Mark 1:15

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God." John 1:12-13

OUR PRACTICE: **Thanks-driven obedience**.

2. **Eyes and ears** attuned to God's **Son**. (3:34; Mark 10:37; Luke 8:21; Matt. 17:5)

"He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me." Mark 10:37

"My mother and My brothers are these who hear the word of God;" Luke 8:21

"This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!" Matthew 17:5

3. A **life** lived with God's **kids**. (3:34)

THE POINT: You're not being raised in an **"only child"** family. (Mark 10:29-30)

"Truly I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or farms, for My sake and for the gospel's sake, but that he will receive a hundred times as much now in the present age, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and farms, along with persecutions; and in the age to come, eternal life." Mark 10:29-30

4. A will obedient to God's directives. (3:35; 1 John 2:3)

By this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments." 1 John 2:3

"As I grow older, I care less and less what people think about me and more and more what God thinks of me. I expect to be with him much longer than with you." Bob Baker