Your Next Step with God's Word

"Familiarity Breeds Contempt"

Luke 8:19-21

The family of **Joseph**:

- Lost Jesus
- Witnessed Jesus' near death
- Came **searching** for Jesus
- Were **blocked** from Jesus
- Sent a message to Jesus
- Waited on Jesus
- Planned an intervention for Jesus
- Dismissed Jesus as crazy
- Prodded Jesus

The family of **Jesus**:

- Who is my **true** family?
 - Whoever = pointing to disciples
 - Does God's will:
 - Those who **HEAR** God's Word and
 - Put it into **practice**
 - Are His <u>brother</u>, <u>sister</u>, <u>mother</u>
- Not a rejection but an **invitation** and an **elevation**
 - Mary
 - James
 - Jude

The family of heaven: seed & soils; light & darkness

- Satan
- <u>Jesus</u>
- You

Core CHRIST-like Characteristics:

Connected to God through the Word and prayer, Intentional Evangelism, Spirit-led Servant