



THE UNEXPECTED JESUS MISSING THE MESSIAH

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WEEK #5 – THE UNEXPECTED FAMILY

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SUMMARY

People had many reasons for following Jesus or not following him. The crowds who followed Jesus were merely fans. Fans are fickle. They primarily are concerned about what they can get for themselves from Jesus. The Herodians, the religious leaders, and even Jesus' own family were foes in this passage because they wanted to control or stop Jesus. Jesus' true family are those who want what Jesus wants – to do the Father's will. They are not in it for themselves. They are most committed to what God wants. What are we? Fans, Foes, or Family?



STUDY - PERSONAL

Here are some great introductory resources on this topic:

- Mark 3:7-35
- [The Gospel According to Mark – The Bible Project](#)
- [The Son of Man Must Suffer Many Things – John Piper](#)
- Jesus the King – Tim Keller
- [Adopted by the Living God – Gavin Ortlund](#)
- Accidental Pharisees – Larry Osborne

DISCUSS – MISSIONAL COMMUNITY

Discuss these questions with your group:

1. Read Mark 3:7-35. What did you take away from the message on this passage on Sunday?
2. How do you see yourself as a part of the family of God? Is Jesus the most important thing to you? What ways can you identify that he is the primary focus in your life?
3. How should we obey and apply this and shift towards seeing our MC as our family?
4. How can we as a MC reorient our lives in such a way where we invite people in and make them feel like a family before they are a part of the family of God? Spend some time really dwelling on this and praying about this question.

EXPERIENCE – ON MISSION

These are some practical exercises for you to work through with your MC:

- Spend the whole night discussing and praying on question #4 of the discussion section. Pray for clarity and for unity of mind in this time. Make sure to have a scribe that can help take down any of the suggestions.
- Have every member of your MC invite at least one person from the people group you are trying to reach. Invite them into the everyday stuff of your MC life. Help to make them feel included and like they already belong to the family before they have come to know Jesus.