



Growing FAITH at home

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We are the brothers and sisters of Jesus.



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Sunday between June 5 and June 11 (if after Trinity Sunday)



CONVERSATIONS

Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

1. Name some things you appreciate about people in your family.
2. Jesus says that everyone who does God's will is his 'brother and sister and mother'. What does it mean to you that Jesus has called you a very close family member?
3. How does faith affect our family relationships?



BIBLE READINGS

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week.
Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

S	Mark 3:20-35	Doing the work of God
M	Genesis 3:8-15	Adam and Eve hide from God
T	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1	Living by faith
W	Ephesians 6:1-4	Children and parents
T	Proverbs 6: 20-23	Learning from our parents
F	Psalms 103:1-13	A father's compassion
S	Psalms 130	Prayer of lament and hope

VERSE OF THE WEEK

"Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

MARK 3:35



CREATIVE RESPONSE

Set aside some time this week to explore your family history or histories.

Make up a family tree showing your cousins, uncles, aunts, grandparents, great-grandparents and so on. Look together at any family history books you may have. Share what you know about the life stories of your relatives.

Discuss ways in which your family history has shaped who you are today, individually and as a household.



ACTION RESPONSE

As Christians, we are Jesus' brothers, sisters and mothers!

We can show our love for Jesus as his brothers and sisters and mothers by serving the biological brothers, sisters and mothers in our lives. Invite each household member to carry out one act of service for their brother, sister or mother this week.



MEALTIME PRAYER

Round this table here to pray, first we thank you for the day. For our family and our friends, gifts of grace that heaven lends. Amen.



PRAYER

Lord God, thank you for the gift of family. Help us to remain united, serving you and loving one another. Amen.



BLESSING

May you always know you are a child of God.