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Family

Mark 3:21,31-35

We want to talk about the translation of the word family. In Mark 3:21 when our Master's family found out what He was doing from the reports, they came to take custody of Him. The scene was set-up in Mark 3:20. The parents were going to take custody of Him, take charge of Him. They were thinking He was out of His mind. How do you know they were thinking that? It says it in Mark 3:21. Where was our Master at this time? Capernaum. Where did His parents live at this time? Nazareth. Nazareth was about thirty miles from Capernaum. They had to walk or come by donkey. They heard a bad report that He was crazy, so they had to walk thirty miles to take charge of Him.

Mark 3:31-32

Mark 3:33 What kind of voice did our Master speak this? It was an asking tone.

In many cases they heard He was demon possessed as in John 10:20, or they heard He was even raving mad. Why listen to Him.

In Mark 3:35 our Master could have gone on to say "My son, My daughter" etc. If it is only those who do God's will that are His family — then who is the family of God and who isn't? Who belongs to the family of God?

In Mark 3:34 He said, "Here is My mother and My brothers." What is God's will? How does one come to know exactly what God's will is? How do you test it, to know for yourself? How do we come to know His will? He said whoever is My brother, sister and mother does My will! Romans 12:2 How to know and understand what God's will is. John 7:17 Only those who are willing to do God's will can be saved, to know if the teaching comes from man or the anointed from God — coming from God to a person. If you receive the anointing you receive the man, you receive the Messiah. If you receive the Messiah you receive the Father.

Romans 12:1-2

How do you know His pleasing and perfect will? First it is Romans 12:1 and then it is Romans 12:2. Don't be conformed to this world but be transformed. Unless we know that we can't really even pray.

I John 3:22 We can't get our prayers answered without this. You can pray your head off without getting your prayers answered because you don't do what's pleasing in His sight. He didn't say those who know His will but those who DO His will. We must first know His will, the thing which is good, acceptable and pleasing in His sight. Malachi 3:3 There is a refining process going on in our midst. It is a purifying process for those who belong to Him. Those that belong to Him receive the one who purifies.

The most wicked and perverted person is the one who listens to the Word of God over and over and never responds to the Word. He is a coward and a liar. His place is in the lake of fire. We have no sympathy for the wicked. They are exactly what Hebrews 10:29 says, an outrage. What we are talking about is membership into the family of God. Psalm 15:4

I John 2:19 Who belongs to Messiah is who belongs to us. In I John 2:20 some didn't receive the anointing, but we received the anointing.

How do we know who our brother is so that we can lay down our lives for him? We have people in the Body who turn out to be of the world. God's family is evidenced by obedience. John 14:23 This speaks of the family of God. This is home, the family of God, those who affectionately love Him.

Yahshua turned away His mother, she wasn't doing God's will. His family does God's will. Obedience is evidence, it is essential for God's sons and daughters. It is far more important than membership and obedience to our earthly parents (earthly family). What can compare to eternal life?

Mark 10:29-30 You can see a person actually leave house, brothers, sisters, mother, father, children, farms to belong to God's family, to be a member of a place to belong — (a secure relationship with). Matthew 10:34-39 speaks about earthly families and heavenly families. A disciple that has another family or leaves for that family is deluded, and they will lose their life and their children. In Matthew 10:34 we see He brings a sword, severing earthly families and earthly relationships.

Exodus 32:25-29 They took up swords to kill and destroy possessions because they wanted to do God's will and be in God's family.

Matthew 10:37-39

Matthew 10:40 is the only designated way to become a member of the family of God. You have to receive someone. Then you love them (that you received). You appreciate him who brought you the good news. You will follow them around through eternity — praising and thanking them. You think their feet are beautiful. You are bonded to them forever.

Romans 10:14-17 In the Roman (Corinthian) church some didn't think Paul's feet were so beautiful. It is clear here. In Romans 10:17 faith in the Son of God comes through hearing someone telling us about Him. We will be bonded to that person, bonded to Messiah and faith.

John 13:20 Reconciliation

Mark 10:29-30 Who told you the good news to give up everything? — sons, daughters, possession, etc. We must forsake these things. If you don't forsake them you can not have eternal life.

Luke 14:26-31, Revelation 19:11-21, Luke 14:33 (therefore)

Only a fool and a coward can not understand this, they are deserving of the second death.

Matthew 25:34 The eternal Kingdom (nation) is waiting for those who do good to disciples. If your parents give you an inheritance to you because you are a disciple they are probably worthy of the nations. If they take it away from you because you are a disciple then they are worthy of the second death. (remember if someone gives you a cup of water...) If someone gives up all they have they will be kings as in Revelation 21:24. They gave to the disciples but were not disciples themselves. Matthew 25:34 These are chosen to be in the nations. Those chosen for the holy nations will give to those chosen for the holy city. Not everyone rejects the Good News, some are not given to understand it. And some despise that we are even disciples.

Mark 10:30 speaks of this present age and the age to come, eternal life. In this age we receive a hundred times as much. As here, Paul said in Timothy whoever desires to live a godly life in Yahshua can expect persecution (as if they won't give you water because you are disciples).

We belong to Yahshua. Galatians 5:24, 3:29 We are members of the Body, we have a place to belong, we have a secure relationship with Him — our Savior. We have a secure relationship with our brothers and sisters. We are not responsible for one who "deserts" Messiah.

Psalms 15:4 You have no mercy for a reprobate, no sympathy because they are detestable. If we don't do that we aren't worthy either. We then share in their vile, wicked and perverted ways. If someone "walks" away from Messiah they don't fear YHWH. We can't participate in a reprobate sin or we are accountable like he is.

Hebrews 10:29 Our Master was betrayed with a kiss. Some say Shalom where there is no peace. They are just as bad as Psalm 14:1. A fool acts like there is no God, they don't say there is no God but they act like there is no God. They act like they didn't make a covenant.

We say these things so the person can repent and not go to destruction. Who belongs? Romans 8:9, Galatians 5:24, 3:29 Who belongs to Messiah?

Romans 8:7-9 is why you can't do what's required of you. You're in the flesh and you can't please God. If you gave everything up to Yahshua you wouldn't have anything to go back to. Luke 14:31-32 What could the king do? All he could do was surrender and give up all their possessions. That is why verse 33, therefore.

The world is certainly going to hate you. The human system that opposes God's purpose will hate you. John 15:19 If you belonged to the world they would love you but you belong to God's family. God's family does God's will, they give up their rotten, stinking life. The good news is we don't have to hang on to their vile, stinking, old life.

II Thessalonians 1:8 He will destroy those who will not obey the Good News. Our essential being, our new life come through His Spirit and we don't belong to the world any longer. John 17:16-17 We are no longer in the world but we are in the Edah. The Edah is in the world. If you're in the ocean and the boat comes along, you get in the boat and you are not of the ocean any longer but the boat is still in water. We don't belong to the world any longer. John 17:14-15 He keeps us from the evil one in the Edah. The Edah is in the world (but not of the world), our protection is in the Edah. What if you go outside the protection of the Edah? Will you be kept from evil?

I Corinthians 5:5

John 17:17 We are set apart for His special purpose. The truth that comes from the apostles is the word that comes from Yahshua. John 17:18, 8:31 If we stay in the apostles word we are truly His disciples. We will be truly free from everything that causes death. I John 2:27-28, 17:20-23 Those who believe through the word of the apostles will be one, no one else can be one. You stay under the anointing that saved your life. I John 2:20,27-28 This is where we will be one, anyone outside that anointing will see death.

John 8:31-32,51 Whoever is obeying (in present tense) will not see death. Matthew 24:13 Endured in Him, in the vine.

John 17:2-3, 6,9 John 17:6 I revealed your reality... Out of the world — they have obeyed your word. John 17:9 For they belong to You, Your possession.

Any inclination to go back to the world is cut off. The Spirit has no inclination to go back to the world. Everyone who rejects the truth has a wicked heart. We can't have mercy on one who rejects the covenant. It is only a taste of the deception that will come in the latter days. We must be loyal to the anointing or you will be lead astray by another spirit. We must be in the rock. Judas could justify himself, he had a good case against our Master. Daniel 12:10