

Faith For More Than Ever Before. Thicker Than Water Proverbs 16:9

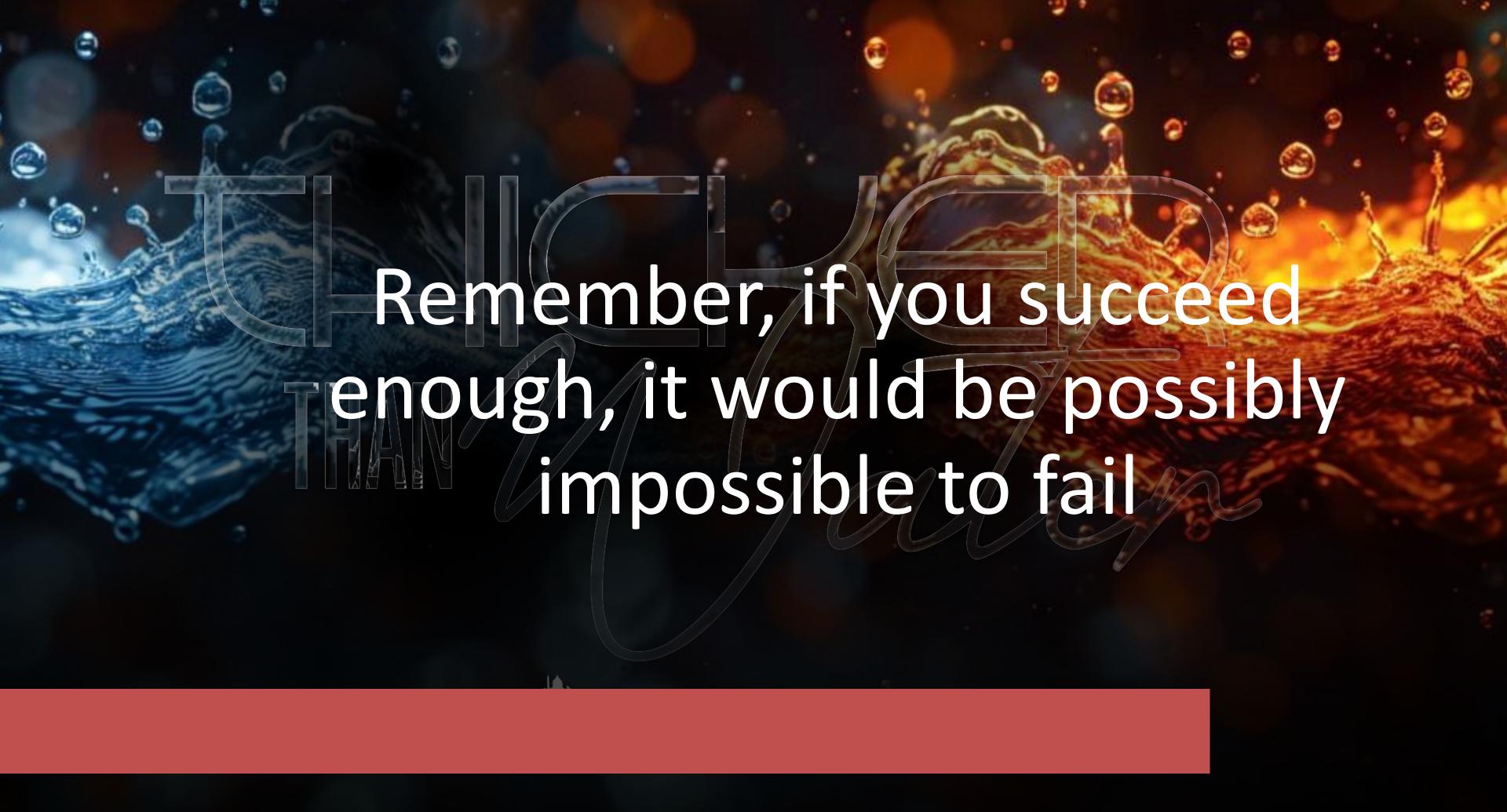
In their hearts humans plan their course, but the LORD establishes their steps.

My Objective is to create a success map or plan for every partner (family member) to prosper.





•It is absolutely critical that we all intentionally endeavor to connect all of the prior or previous lessons to this one



## This lesson contains slides from last week, so we don't miss anything.



### Eph 4:11-13 NLT

11Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers.

12Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.

<sup>13</sup> This will continue until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ.



My prayer has been, and what I have been noticing is that other pastors are discerning the heart of God and teaching along the same lines.

# I am officially charging you to go after your family members.





### **JOHN 8:41-47 NLT**

41 No, you are imitating your real father." They replied, "We aren't illegitimate children! God himself is our true Father."

42 Jesus told them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, because I have come to you from God. I am not here on my own, but he sent me.

43 Why can't you understand what I am saying? It's because you can't even hear me!

44 For you are the children of your father the devil, and you love to do the evil things he does. He was a murderer from the beginning. He has always hated the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, it is consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the father of lies.

45 So when I tell the truth, you just naturally don't believe me!

46 Which of you can truthfully accuse me of sin? And since I am telling you the truth, why don't you believe me?

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47 Anyone who belongs to God listens gladly to the words of God. But you don't listen because you don't belong to God."

### **JOHN 8:41-47 MSG**

41 You persist in repeating the works of your father." They said, "We're not bastards. We have a legitimate father: the one and only God."

42 "If God was your father," said Jesus, "you would love me, for I came from God and arrived here. I didn't come on my own. He sent me.

43 Why can't you understand one word I say? Here's why: You can't handle it.

44 You're from your father, the Devil, and all you want to do is please him. He was a killer from the very start. He couldn't stand the truth because there wasn't a shred of truth in him. When the Liar speaks, he makes it up out of his lying nature and fills the world with lies.

45 I arrive on the scene, tell you the plain truth, and you refuse to have a thing to do with me.

46 Can any one of you convict me of a single misleading word, a single sinful act? But if I'm telling the truth, why don't you believe me?

47 Anyone on God's side listens to God's words. This is why you're not listening - because you're not on God's side."

### JOHN 8:41-47 TPT

41No, you people are doing what your father has taught you!" Indignant, they responded, "What are you talking about? We only have one Father, God himself! We're not illegitimate!"

42Jesus said, "Then if God were really your father, you would love me, for I've come from his presence. I didn't come here on my own, but God sent me to you.

43Why don't you understand what I say? You don't understand because your hearts are closed to my message!

44"You are the offspring of your father, the devil, and you serve your father very well, passionately carrying out his desires. He's been a murderer right from the start! He never stood with the truth, for he's full of nothing but lies—lying is his native tongue. He is a master of deception and the father of lies!

45But I am the true Prince who speaks nothing but the truth, yet you refuse to believe and you want nothing to do with me.

46Can you name one sin that I've committed? Then if I am telling you only the truth, why don't you believe me?

47If you really knew God, you would listen, receive, and respond with faith to his words. But since you don't listen and respond to what he says, it proves you don't belong to him and you have no room for him in your hearts."

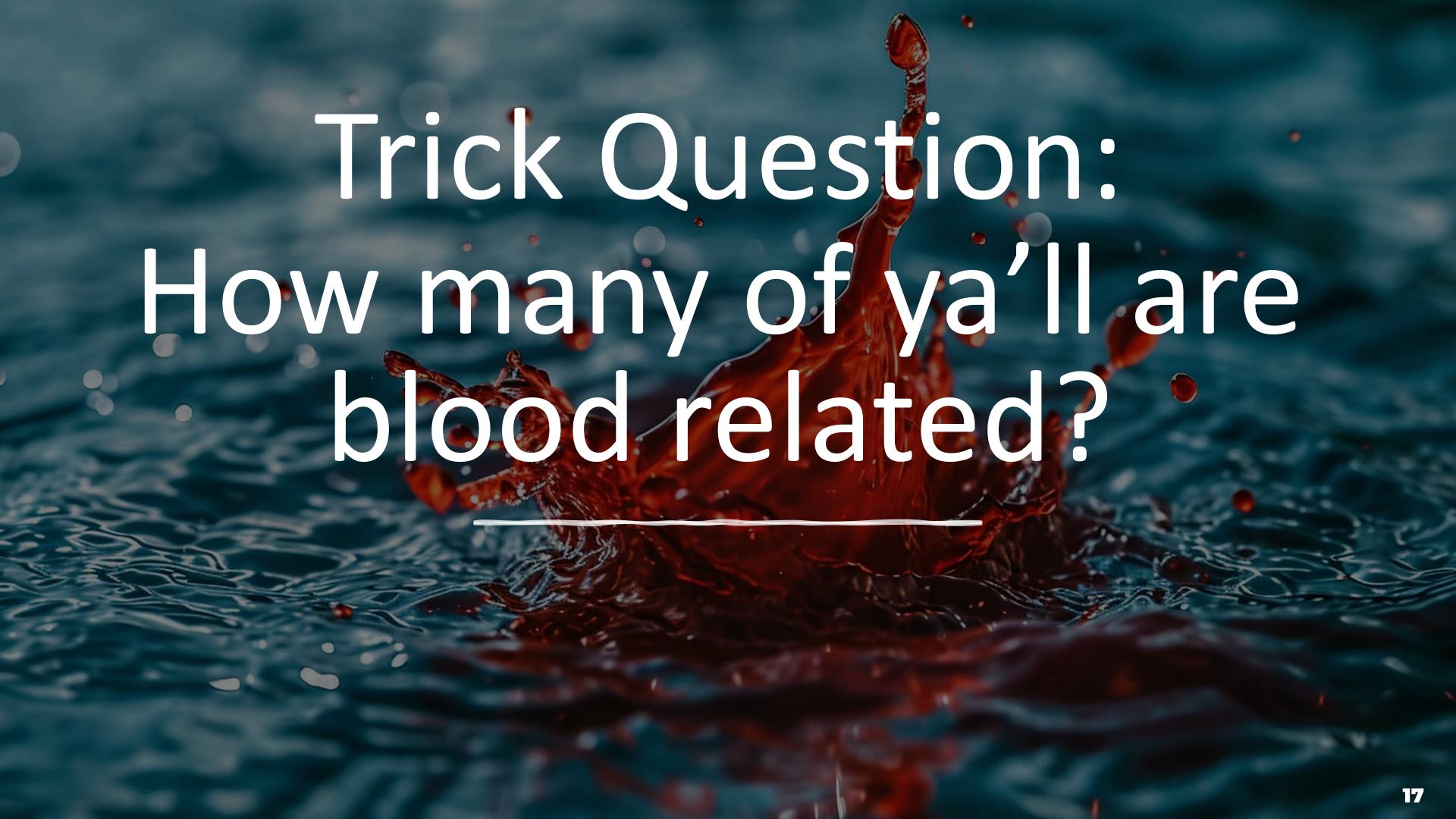
1 Once you were dead because of your disobedience and your many sins.

2 You used to live in sin, just like the rest of the world, obeying the devil the commander of the powers in the unseen world. He is the spirit at work in the hearts of those who refuse to obey God. **EPHESIANS 2:1-2 NLT**  8 He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

10 In this the children of God and the children of the devil are manifest: Whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is he who does not love his brother.

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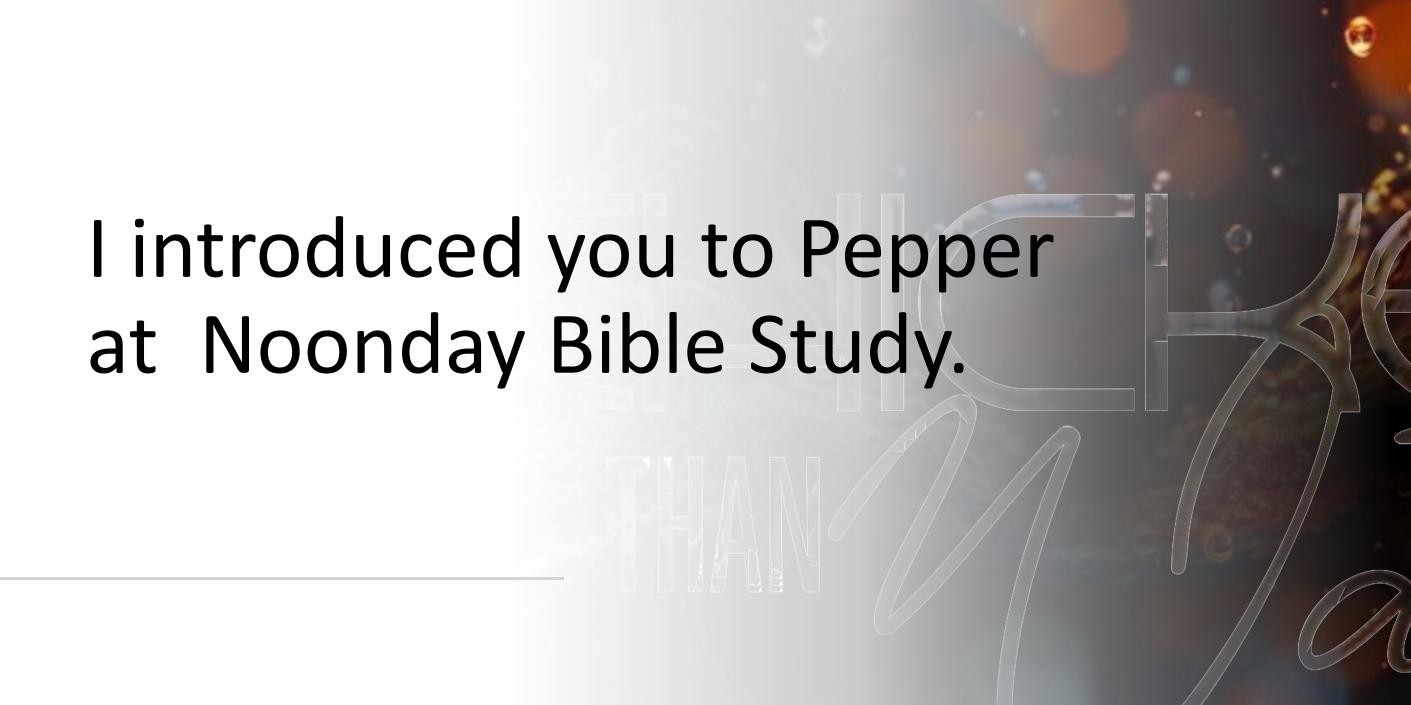






- 46While he was still talking to the crowd, his mother and brothers showed up. They were outside trying to get a message to him.
- 47Someone told Jesus, "Your mother and brothers are out here, wanting to speak with you."
- 48 Jesus didn't respond directly, but said, "Who do you think my mother and brothers are?"
- **49**He then stretched out his hand toward his disciples. "Look closely. These are my mother and brothers.
- **50**Obedience is thicker than blood. The person who obeys my heavenly Father's will is my brother and sister and mother."

  Matthew 12:46-50 MSG





### Brothers and Sisters

- •1Cor 16:20
- •2Cor 13:11
- •Eph 6:23
- •Phil 4:21
- •Col 4:15
- •1Thess. 1:4, 2:1, 4:1





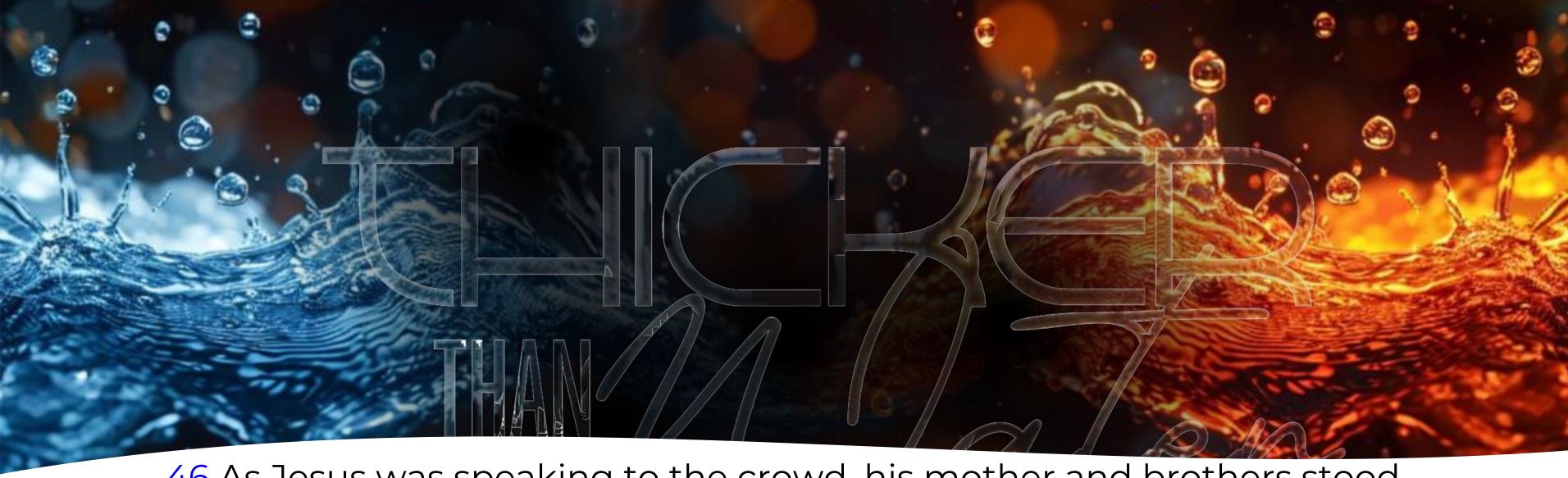
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1 When I first came to you, dear brothers and sisters, I didn't use lofty words and impressive wisdom to tell you God's secret plan. 1 Co. 2:1 NLT



Dear brothers and sisters, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.





46 As Jesus was speaking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside, asking to speak to him.

47 Someone told Jesus, "Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, and they want to speak to you."

48 Jesus asked, "Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?"

49 Then he pointed to his disciples and said, "Look, these are my mother and brothers.

50 Anyone who does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother!" Matthew 12:46-50 NLT

