<u>Devo #16</u> Difficult passage of Scripture for Grandkids. Skipping some verses. If you want to try on your own, here is the commentary from my study on Mark 3 that might help:

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Read Mark 3:20-22 and 31-35

- **20** One time Jesus entered a house, and the crowds began to gather again. Soon he and his disciples couldn't even find time to eat.
- **21** When his family heard what was happening, they tried to take him away. "He's out of his mind," they said.
- **22** But the teachers of religious law who had arrived from Jerusalem said, "He's possessed by Satan, the prince of demons. That's where he gets the power to cast out demons."

- **31** Then Jesus' mother and brothers came to see him. They stood outside and sent word for him to come out and talk with them.
- **32** There was a crowd sitting around Jesus, and someone said, "Your mother and your brothers are outside asking for you."
- 33 Jesus replied, "Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?"
- **34** Then he looked at those around him and said, "Look, these are my mother and brothers.
- **35** Anyone who does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

The next place Jesus went, what happened (v. 20)? So many people came, it was so crowded that there wasn't even enough time for Jesus to eat.

What did His family think about Him (v. 21)? They thought He was crazy...."out of His mind."

Why did they think that? Because they thought He was just one of their sons and now He had all these people following Him and He was doing lots of miracles.

What did the religious leaders think about Jesus (v. 22)? They thought He had a demon living inside of Him and that's why He was able to do miracles like casting out demons.

Next Jesus mother and brothers arrived (v. 31)? Why wasn't His father with them? Joseph had probably died before this.

When the crowd told Jesus that his mother and brothers were looking for Him, what did He say (vv. 33-35)? Those who are looking for me are my biological, earthly family that I live with while I'm here on earth. But my spiritual, eternal family are those who follow after Me and trust in Me. Those are the ones I will live in heaven with.

Are you part of Jesus spiritual/eternal family? How do we get to be part of His family?