**EYES ON JESUS**

*The Apostles – Jesus Family*

MARK 3:7-35

**7**Jesus withdrew with his disciples to the lake, and a large crowd from Galilee followed. **8**When they heard about all he was doing, many people came to him from Judea, Jerusalem, Idumea, and the regions across the Jordan and around Tyre and Sidon.

**9**Because of the crowd he told his disciples to have a small boat ready for him, to keep the people from crowding him. **10**For he had healed many, so that those with diseases were pushing forward to touch him.

**11**Whenever the impure spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, “You are the Son of God.” **12**But he gave them strict orders not to tell others about him.

**13**Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to him those he wanted, and they came to him. **14**He appointed twelve[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+3%3A7-35&version=NIV#fen-NIV-24303a)] that they might be with him and that he might send them out to preach **15**and to have authority to drive out demons.

**16**These are the twelve he appointed: Simon (to whom he gave the name Peter), **17**James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means “sons of thunder”),

**18**Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot **19**and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

THE TWELVE APOSTLES:

1. **Simon** (Peter)
2. **James**
3. **John**
4. **Andrew**
5. **Philip**
6. **Bartholomew** (Nathaniel)
7. **Matthew** (Levi)
8. **Thomas** (Didymus)
9. **James - son of Alphaeus**
10. **Thaddaeus** (Jude)
11. **Simon (the zealot**
12. **Judas Iscariot**

# ***His “Mishpocha” thought he was “Meshugganeh”!***

**Mishpocha – Family**

**Meshugganeh – Crazy Person**

**20**Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. **21**When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, “He is out of his mind.”

**22**And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons.”

**23**So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: “How can Satan drive out Satan? **24**If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.

**25**If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. **26**And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come.

**27**In fact, no one can enter a strong man’s house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man’s house

**28**Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter, **29**but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin.”**30**He said this because they were saying, “He has an impure spirit.”

**31**Then Jesus’ mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. **32**A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, “Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you.”

**33**“Who are my mother and my brothers?” he asked.

**34**Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! **35**Whoever does God’s will is my brother and sister and mother.”

Matt 10: **37**“Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. **38**Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me. **39**Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it.

1 Peter 3:15 “Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect”