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Matthew 12:38-50

Matthew: Following the King of Kings
“Members of a Greater Family”

INTRODUCTION

1. **MEMBERS OF A GREATER FAMILY**
2. **WE FOLLOW A GREATER PROPHET**
3. **WE HAVE A GREATER WISDOM**
4. **WE ARE GIVEN A NEW HEART**

Questions for personal meditation and study

1. What do you think of when you think of the word “family?”
2. How does your family define you? What do you derive from your family? Has who you were born to and where you were born been an advantage or a disadvantage? How so?
3. What does the idea that Jesus is your Elder Brother mean to you? What does it change? How does it change how you see yourself? How does that change, change how you live?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-19. How is it that the “sign of Jonah” that Jesus refers to in Matthew 12, changes everything regarding our faith and what it means to be Christian?
5. Jesus issues several warnings to the Pharisees about judgment and condemnation because they refused to repent and turn to Jesus as their Christ. But what does this say to those who have turned to Jesus?
6. Read Matthew 12:43-45. Why is it that the “unclean spirit” can return to the house it left and bring with it seven others in Jesus’ metaphor? What is missing from the house making room for the unclean spirits?