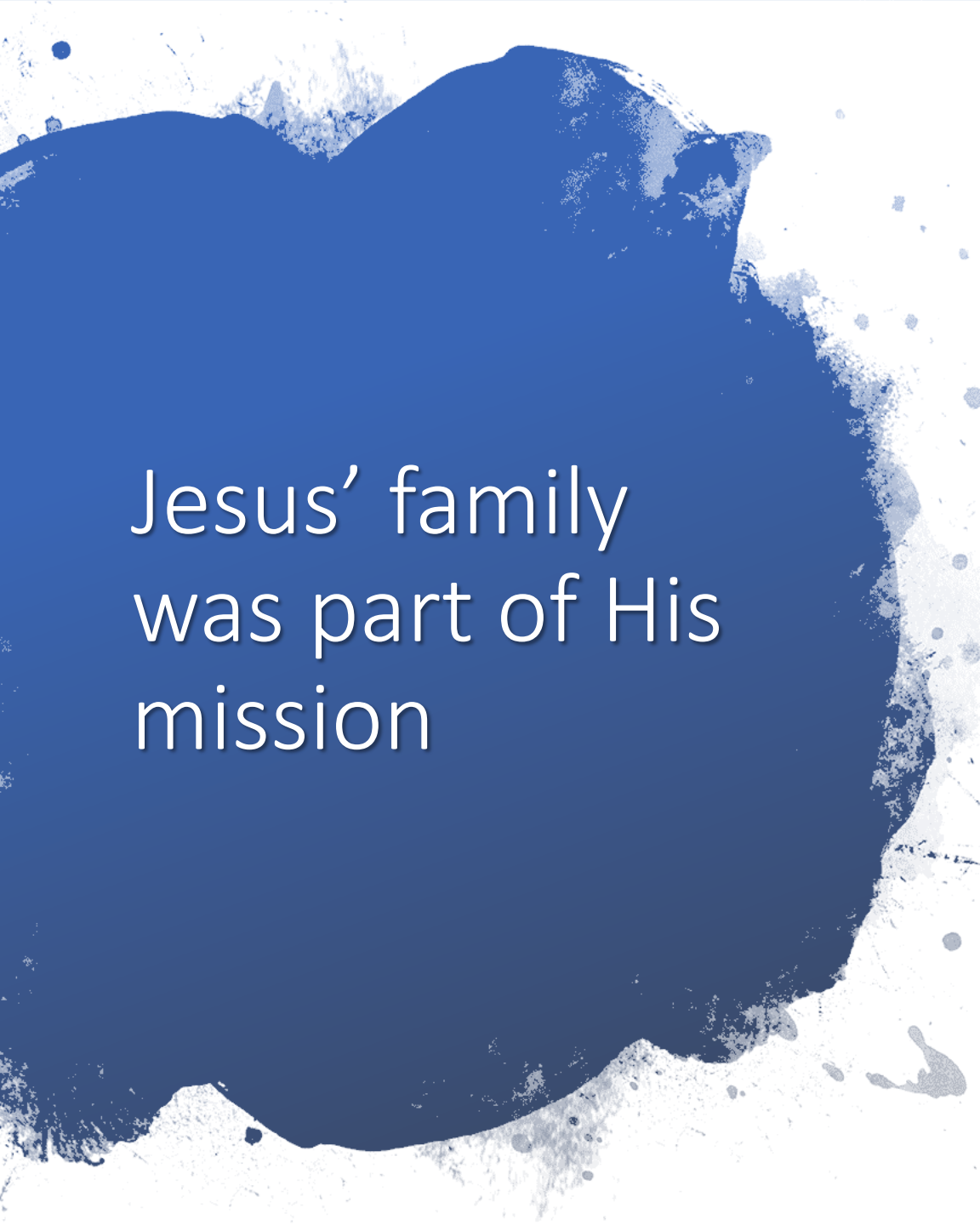


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His mission. Our focus.



# Jesus' family was part of His mission

- Jesus and his family had ordinary names
  - Jesus is the Greek form of Joshua and means “savior”. Archeologists discovered the tombs of more than 70 men with the same name from around the time of Jesus’ death
  - 7 Marys in the New Testament
  - Two of Jesus’ disciples were named James
  - Joseph is a hero of Genesis
- Mary treats Jesus like her son, John 2:1-11
- Jesus’ family struggled to understand His behavior, Mark 3:21-35
- He asks John to care for his mother, John 19:26-27



## As husbands

- We love our wives, Ephesians 5:25
  - As Jesus loved the church
  - As Jesus gave himself
  - As we nourish and cherish our own bodies
- We leave father and mother, Ephesians 5:31
- We are not bitter toward our wives, Colossians 3:19
- We give honor to our wives, I Peter 3:7
  - As heirs together of grace
- We put Jesus first, Luke 9:60, Mark 10:29-31



# As fathers

- We provide for our family's needs, II Corinthians 12:14; I Timothy 5:8
- We do not provoke our children to wrath, Ephesians 6:4; Colossians 3:21
- We train spiritually, Ephesians 6:4
- We provide chastening with love Hebrews 12:6-11
  - As does God
  - We cannot treat in ways we would never treat a total stranger or our boss



# As wives

- We submit to our husbands,  
Ephesians 5:22-24, Colossians 3:18;  
I Peter 3:1-2
  - As to the Lord
- We give our husbands respect and love,  
Ephesians 5:33; Titus 2:4



# As mothers

- We love our children, Titus 2:4
  - Sadly, sin can destroy even this love, Romans 1:31
- We manage our households, Titus 2:5; I Timothy 5:14; Proverbs 31:10-31
- We provide spiritual training, II Timothy 1:5; Acts 16:1



# As children

- We obey our parents,  
Ephesians 6:1; Colossians 3:20
- We give parents honor,  
Ephesians 6:2-3
- We provide for them as they age,  
I Timothy 5, 4, 16



# As singles

- We use the advantage it gives,  
I Corinthians 7:32-35
- We watch for dangers,  
Ephesians 4:9-11





# As God-sharers all

- The lord is first in all things,  
Matthew 10:34-37
  - By putting Him first, our families benefit more, Matthew 6:33
- We actively teach in all things
  - By example, I Peter 3:1-2
  - By our words, Ephesians 6:4
  - Our family will make their own decisions about establishing and maintaining a relationship with God!