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## Brothers of Jesus

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While Jesus was speaking to the crowds, his mother and his brothers appeared outside, wishing to speak with him. Someone told him: "Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, asking to speak with you." But he said in reply to the one who told him: "Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?". And stretching out his hand toward his disciples, he said:

"Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of my heavenly Father is my brother, and sister, and mother."

(Mt 12:46-50)