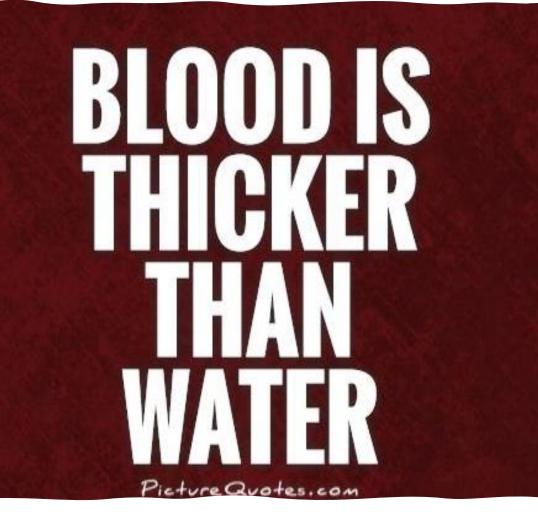


Family of God

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Born of God?

- But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God — John 1:12-13
- Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God -1 John 5:1



Spirit is 'thicker' than blood

- "Don't think I've come to make life cozy. I've come to cut-make a sharp knife-cut between son and father, daughter and mother, bride and mother-in-law-cut through these cozy domestic arrangements and free you for God. Well-meaning family members can be your worst enemies. If you prefer father or mother over me, you don't deserve me. If you prefer son or daughter over me, you don't deserve me. If you don't go all the way with me, through thick and thin, you don't deserve me
- If your first concern is to look after yourself, you'll never find yourself.
 But if you forget about yourself and look to me, you'll find both yourself and me" – Matthew 10:34–39 MSG



