

# Sister's Spin

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Genealogy and knowing your ancestors seems to be the big thing right now. Where did you come from and to whom are you related are questions being asked these days. Certainly, for some reasons, these are important questions. In searching for this information, people sometimes find that they have some "black sheep" in their family background and these are usually kept secret, or shared only with a few members of the family. In Jesus' case, that was not so. In the Liturgy for Friday of the third week of Advent, the genealogy of Jesus is read, with all the good and wise people in Jesus ancestry as well as the "black sheep". Jesus claims them all, and in a sense, so must we, for these are our ancestors in the Faith also. We call Jesus our Brother, and claim God as our Father, so we must look at our spiritual ancestors and see what we can learn from them. In these last days of the Advent Season, it is good to seek out the stories of these, our ancestors in Faith, and learn from their example and lives how to wait and prepare for the coming of the Lord as they did.

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