

GLORIFY THE CREATOR

Ex. 33:11, Jas. 2:23

“Friendship that Glorifies God”



Ex. 33:11 And **the LORD** spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the tabernacle.


Jas 2:23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and **he was called the Friend of God.**

Welcome to Friend Day 2018!

Friend – a person attached to another by feelings of affection or personal regard.


1. A person known well to another and regarded with liking, affection, and loyalty; an intimate
2. An acquaintance or associate
3. An ally in a fight or cause; supporter

<http://www.dictionary.com/browse/friend?s=t>



**A TRUE FRIEND
ACCEPTS WHO YOU ARE,
BUT ALSO HELPS YOU TO
BECOME WHO YOU
SHOULD BE.**

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A scenic landscape featuring a range of dark, silhouetted mountains in the foreground. The sky above is a mix of soft, hazy colors, transitioning from a pale blue at the top to a warm, golden-orange glow near the horizon, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall atmosphere is calm and contemplative.

A true friend is someone who is
there for you when he'd rather be
anywhere else.

Len Wein

A yellow notepad with a quote about true friendship, set against a sunset background. The notepad is centered and has a dark border. The background shows a sunset with orange and pink clouds over a dark horizon.

A **TRUE** friend
is someone who
thinks you are
a **GOOD** egg
EVEN THOUGH HE
knows you are
Slightly Cracked



A FRIEND
IS SOMEONE
WITH WHOM
YOU dare to
be yourself

— FRANK CHANE

True friends are not just
sharing some conversation,
a cup of coffee or funny story
but it really means sharing an honest
and true part of your mind and your
heart!

A burlap sack with a printed message, set against a sunset background. The sack is the central focus, with the text printed in a simple, black, sans-serif font. The background is a vibrant sunset with a blue sky transitioning to orange and red near the horizon, with some clouds. The sack is tied at the top and bottom with dark bands.

We will be
friends 'til we
are old and senile
... then we will
be new friends

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Friend (n.)

Old English freond "one attached to another by feelings of personal regard and preference," from Proto-Germanic *frijand- "lover, friend" (source also of Old Norse frændi, Old Danish frynt, Old Frisian friund, Dutch vriend, Middle High German friunt, German Freund, Gothic frijonds "friend"), from PIE *priy-ont-, "loving," present participle form of root *pri- "to love" (see free (adj.)).

<https://www.etymonline.com/word/friend>

- Our relatives are not a choice – but the rarity of a true friendship is an exhibition one chooses to convey of freedom and love for another that exceeds superficiality of selfishness.

Let's consider the characteristics of friendship that glorify God.

A TRUE FRIEND COMMUNICATES

Communication to Compel:

Prov. 27:17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so **a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.**

- Communication of concern is the greatest influence for change in a person's mind.

Prov. 27:9 Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so **doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel.**

- Communication of concern is the sweet savor of encouragement to a troubled heart needing a breath of relief from the gloom of life.

Communication of Confidentiality:

Jn. 15:15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but **I have called you friends**; for all things that I have heard of my Father **I have made known unto you**.

- Friendship is the ribbon of trust encasing the gift of vulnerability freely presented.



A true friend warms
you with their presence,
trusts you with
their secrets
and remembers you
in their prayers.

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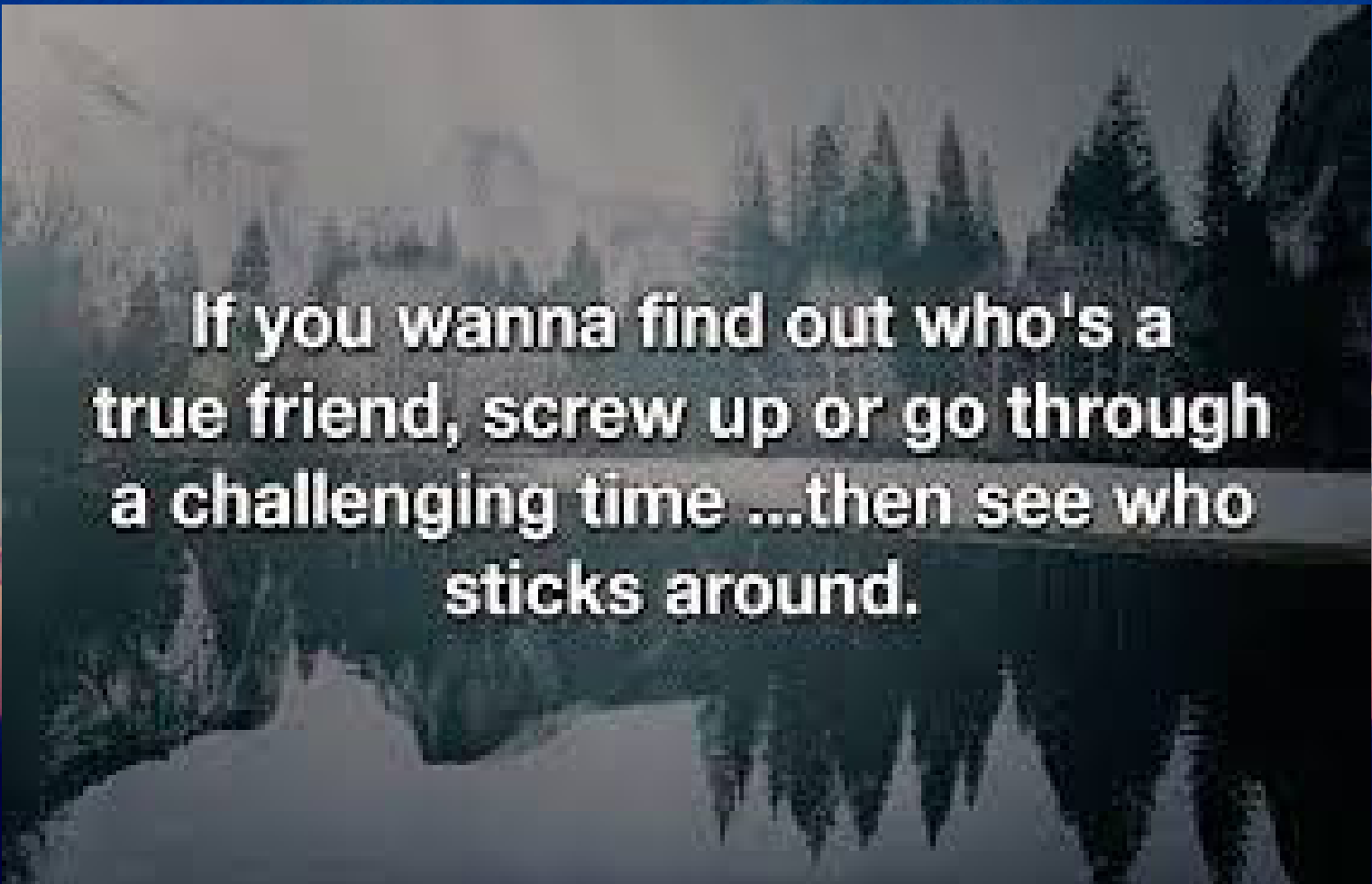
A TRUE FRIEND IS COMMITTED

Prov. 17:17 “A friend loveth at all times...”

- A true friend ALWAYS cares.
- A true friend is when one who knows your strengths and weaknesses, chooses to accept you as you are, be there for you, and love you for your well being.
- A true friend is willing to sacrifice himself for your best interest.
- A true friend will admire your success, in obscurity, even if he contributed to it.
- A true friend is available to be what you need, when you need it, regardless of any personal inconvenience.
- A true friend will comfort your troubled heart and encourage your defeated spirit.


A TRUE FRIEND IS A COMPANION

Prov. 18:24 A man *that hath* friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend *that sticketh closer than a brother*.



If you wanna find out who's a true friend, screw up or go through a challenging time ...then see who sticks around.

- The companionship of a friend is the journey of comfort to the soul.



“Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only true friends will leave footprints in your heart”

Fb/“HugsandKisses”

A TRUE FRIEND IS COMPASSIONATE

Jn. 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

A true friend is someone who knows your faults and loves you anyways...they stick by you no matter what and they forgive you for your mistakes, it's called love....

- Unknown



Summary

A TRUE FRIEND COMMUNICATES

“And He walks with me and He talks with me...”

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1 Cor. 2:9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

10 But **God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit**: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

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Gal. 1:4 **Who gave himself for our sins**, that he might **deliver us from this present evil world**, according to the will of God and our Father:

Gal. 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, **who loved me, and gave himself for me.**

Titus 2:14 **Who gave himself for us**, that he might **redeem us** from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

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Heb. 13:5 “...for he hath said, **I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.**”

2 Chron. 20:17 **Ye shall not need to fight in this battle:** set yourselves, stand ye *still*, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to morrow go out against them: **for the LORD will be with you.**

A TRUE FRIEND IS COMPASSIONATE

Jn. 15:13 **Greater love hath no man than this**, that a man lay down **his life for his friends**.

14 Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.

15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but **I have called you friends**; for all things that I have heard of my Father **I have made known unto you**.

2 Cor. 5:14 For **the love of Christ** constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:

15 And *that* he died for all, that **they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him** which died for them, and rose again.

Conclusion

Friend Day is everyday when we are in fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ!

1 Jn. 4:9 **In this was manifested the love of God toward us,** because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

10 **Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us,** and sent his Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins. ...

19 We love him, **because he first loved us.**

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