

Friends Are Friends Forever, When The LORD is Lord Of Them

## AND THE WELCOME NEVER ENDS?

Love One Another,  
AS I HAVE LOVED YOU!



And In Doing SO You Will  
PROVE Yourselves To Be MY disciples!

WE HAVE NOT REALLY LIVED, UNTIL WE HAVE LAYED DOWN OUR LIFE FOR ANOTHER!

**“GREATER LOVE HAS NO MAN THAN THIS, THAT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR ANOTHER!”**

Do We Lay Down Our SELF Life For Our Brothers And Sisters??

Or Is MY Life Really ALL About Me?  
“What Can You Do For Me?”

“Tell Me Now, How Will I Prosper If I Sacrifice My Time, For You?”

—Can We Even Open Our Mouth To Say, “I LOVE THE LORD MY GOD WITH MY WHOLE HEART, MIND, SOUL AND STRENGTH!”

And Neglect To Live Up To The 2ND GREATEST COMMANDMENT?

**“THOU SHALT LOVE THY NEIGHBOR AS THYSELF?”**

IN KEEPING THESE 2 COMMANDMENTS, WE REALLY COULD EXPERIENCE TRUE JOY UNLIMITED!

—What Is It, Among Christian Believers Who Insist That THEY Obey The TWO GREATEST COMMANDMENTS OF JESUS CHRIST. YET Take A Mindset, Thinking ... “I Love That Brother Or Sister, But I Can’t Stand To Be Their Friend, Or Spend Any Of My Time With Them.”

My Question Is Always This:

Can You, As A Believer In Jesus Christ’s Own ‘Love And Example’

Really Love Someone You Can’t



Stand To Even Befriend?

Will There Be Social Rejection In Heaven? Will We Huddle Together, In Our Tight Boundaries Of Friendships? Not Being Able To ‘Stand’ Others Of Different Personality?

Will This Privacy, Which Is Most Cherished Here In America, This Convenience To Live Unto Ourselves, And For Ourselves; Be Rewarded At The Judgment Seat Of CHRIST?

Will The Lord, Supreme In Authority Over All, Say To Us: “Thou GOOD And Faithful Servant, How Well You Served YOUR SELF, With All I Gave To You!”

Or Will Those Who Have Invested Their Lives, Talents, Time, Friendship, Compassion, And Soul Into Other’s Lives, Casting Their Bread Upon The Sea Of Humanity, Be The Ones ‘Rewarded Most Royally?’

Why Is Self Sacrifice And Carrying Your Cross, Such An Alien Concept Among You Who Take The Name “Christian” To Your Selves?

Why Is APATHY, And Love-Less-Living So Popular Today?

**Truly, There Is No Greater Joy, Than In Sharing Your Life, Time, and Resources With A Friend!**

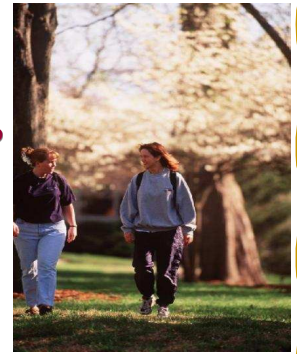
**On That Level Of ‘Agape’ Love, Nothing You Spend Of Yourself, On Your Friend, Is Ever Considered A Sacrifice To You!**

YOUR COMBINED IOY IS OUTSIDE THE ‘SELF’ WORLD!

YOU DON’T EVEN THINK, TO CONSIDER, ...DID I BENEFIT FROM THE TIME I SPENT WITH THAT SPE-

CIAL FRIEND?

INSTEAD, YOU GLORY IN THE PRICELESS BENEFIT OF JOY SHARED TOGETHER! BUT WILL YOU REMEMBER TO PRIZE THAT INCREDIBLE FRIEND? OR WILL YOU WALK AWAY, FORGETTING THE JOY YOU EXPERIENCED TOGETHER IN THE SPECIAL MOMENTS YOU HAD WITH THEM?



There Is A Christian Song, That Could Never Be Forgotten. Written By A Saint Among Men, Michael W Smith: It goes....

“Packing Up The Dreams GOD Planted In The Fertile Soil Of You. Can’t Believe The Hopes He’s Granted Means A Chapter In Your Life Is Through.

We’ll Keep You Close As Always, It Won’t Even Seem You’ve Gone. Because Our Hearts In Big And Small Ways Will Keep The Love That Keeps Us Strong.

And Friends Are Friends Forever If The Lord’s The Lord Of Them. And A Friend Will Not Say Never, Cause The Welcome Will Not End.

Though It’s Hard To Let You Go, In The Father’s Hands We Know, That A Lifetime Not To Long To Live As Friends.

With The Faith And Love GOD’S Given, Springing From The Hope WE Know, We’ll Pray The JOY YOU LIVE IN IS THE STRENGTH THAT NOW YOU SHOW.

HAVE WE EVER HAD OR KNOWN A FRIENDSHIP LIKE THIS, AMONG OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST?

HAVE YOU EVER REALLY GIVEN OF YOURSELF? HAVE YOU EVER SPENT YOUR VERY SOUL ON A FRIEND?

HAVE YOU EVER HAD A FRIEND LIKE THAT WALK OUT OF YOUR LIFE, AND SLAM THE DOOR IN YOUR FACE, LEAVING EVERYTHING THAT WAS YOU?

**THEN YOU HAVE KNOWN SACRIFICE, IN THE DEEPEST PLACE IN YOUR HEART. BECAUSE IT WAS SOMEONE YOU BEFRIENDED WHO SACRIFICED YOU! THERE IS NO GREATER PAIN AMONG MEN!**