

## **PROVERBS 18:24 NKJV – (24)** A man who has friends **must himself** be friendly, **But there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother**.

**JOHN 15:14-15 NKJV – (14)** You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. **(15)** No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you.

The people you regard as your friend(s), what spirit do they bring into your life? Is it an evil spirit or "<u>The Spirit of God?</u>" Do you associate yourself with negative friends? Friends that continually disappoint you, break promises, stomp on your dreams, too judgmental, have different values and don't have your back during difficult times. My brothers and sisters in the faith, that is not a friend. To have a friend is to have Christ (FULL TIME)!!!! To have a friend is to be a friend. Christ will always be your friend, as long as you do whatever He commands. Why? He has your best and perfect interest!

Sometimes in life as we grow, friends will either grow or go. In Christ, we can't help but grow. Surround yourself with people, who reflect great spiritual values. Not or never a form of godliness! Over the years my phone book has changed because I changed for the better. At first you think you're going to be lonely, but with Christ you will never be lonely, not to mention, He will place new people in your life that will make your life sweeter and enduring to live.

A friend's love says: If you ever need anything, I'll be there. To the world you may be one person, but to "One Person" you mean the world. Love isn't blind, it only sees what matters. Christ is truly our friend, are we truly His? He's a friend that works overtime to be just that!

So again, the people you regard as your friend(s), what spirit do they bring into your life? Is it an evil spirit or "<u>The Spirit of God</u>." **JAMES 4:4 NLT** – **(4)** You adulterers! Don't you realize that friendship with the world makes you an enemy of God? I say it again: If you want to be a friend of the world, you make yourself an enemy of God.

Need a true friend, Christ and Christ like people are available.

SCRIPTURE READING

**EPHESIANS 2:10** 

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

God is more interested in the workman, than the work.

SOHL's mission is to sow God's word into the hearts of men and women that will propel them to their God-given destiny.