What the Bible Teaches About

FRIENDSHIP



2 Samuel 1:26

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A Stunning Example of a Beautiful Friendship

1 Samuel 18:1-4, et al.

1 Samuel 14:14

"And that first slaughter, which Jonathan and his armourbearer made, was about twenty men, within as it were an half acre of land, which a yoke of oxen might plow."

1 Samuel 16:23

"And it came to pass, when the evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him."

1 Samuel 17:15

"But David went and returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep at Bethlehem."

1 Samuel 16:7

"But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart."

1 Samuel 23:16

"And Jonathan Saul's son arose, and went to David into the wood, and strengthened his hand in God."

1 Samuel 20:17

"And Jonathan caused David to swear again, because he loved him: for he loved him as he loved his own soul."

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John 21:20

"Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee?"

- 1. Jonathan & David were alike in their heart for God.
- 2. Jonathan & David had great affection for one another.
- 3. Jonathan & David had a friendship characterized by constancy, loyalty, and deep commitment.

Proverbs 17:17

"A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity."

Proverbs 27:10

"Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; ..."

1 Samuel 20:8

"Therefore thou shalt deal kindly with thy servant; for thou hast brought thy servant into a covenant of the LORD with thee: ..."

Proverbs 19:6

"Many will intreat the favour of the prince: and every man is a friend to him that giveth gifts."

1 Samuel 20:42

"And Jonathan said to David, Go in peace, forasmuch as we have sworn both of us in the name of the LORD, saying, The LORD be between me and thee, and between my seed and thy seed for ever. ..."