



A TRUE FRIEND OF JESUS

“Ye are my
friends, if
you do
whatsoever I
command
you.”

John 15:14



OUTLINE

Introduction

Friend #1 Abraham: Loyalty

Friend #2 Moses: Meekness

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FRIEND #1: ABRAHAM

**“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.”**

JAMES 2:23



LOYALTY

- Obedience is manifested through loyalty.
- **Genesis 12:1**-Immediate obedience
- **Genesis 22:2-3**-Even in difficult situations, God expects obedience.

LOYALTY

Friendship with Christ: **John 15:14**

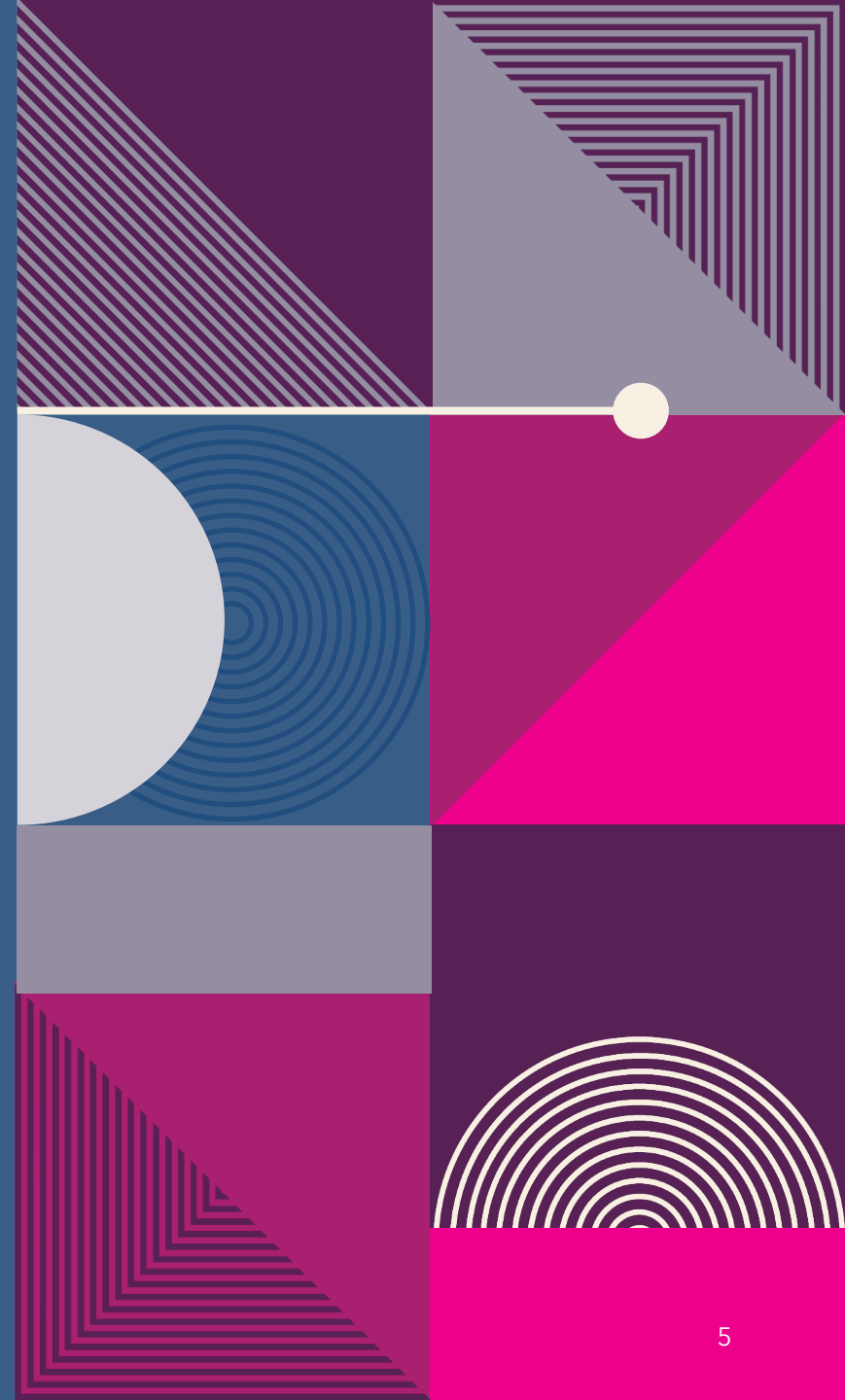
Who: You

What: my friends

How: if you do what I command

Luke 6:46- Are we loyal?

Galatians 6:9- Loyalty requires a choice and an effort.





FRIEND #2: MOSES

**“And the Lord spake
unto Moses face to
face, as a man speaketh
unto his friend.”**

Exodus 33:11

MEEKNESS OR HUMILITY

Meekness requires the proper inner attitude and the proper outward posture. We must learn humility.

Numbers 12:3-Moses was meek, yet he had to learn humility.

Hebrew meaning of “ANAV” emphasizes a devout dependence upon God.

MEEKNESS OR HUMILITY

Christ is the source of meekness Matthew 11:29.

Christ humbled himself Philippians 2:8. Have we?

1 Peter 5:5-6- “clothed with humility.”

Matthew 18:4- We must be humble to see Heaven.



FRIEND #3: SOLOMON'S ADVICE

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

Proverbs 17:17

PERMANENCE

- Permanence is enduring presence with commitment.
- **Proverbs 4:25-** Look straight ahead; fix your gaze directly on spiritual matters.
- **Psalms 1:1-2-** We must accept, participate, and practice permanence.
- **1 Corinthians 15:58-** Being steadfast and unmovable is the key to maintaining permanence.

PERMANENCE

John the Baptist was a friend of Jesus,
John 3:28-30.

Proverbs 16:3- We must commit our
works to God.

Psalms 37:5- We must commit our ways
to God and trust in Him.

CONCLUSION

“...know ye not that friendship of the world is enmity with God? Whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.”

James 4:4

INVITATION

Have you obeyed the Gospel?

Have you remained faithful?

Hear, Believe, Repent, Confess, become baptized

****Repent, confess sins, pray God's Forgiveness****