Peaceful Valley Church

# FRIEND OF GOD

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*And the scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness," and he was called God's friend.*

*James 2:23*

*Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.* Romans 12:10

**The Challenge- from last week:**

Make a decision \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_one another whether you’re with each other or not with your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, actions and thoughts and manage that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ every day.

**Being a Friend of God…**

1. **Starts by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your life to Him.**

*And he* (Jesus) *said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.* Luke 9:23 (KJV)

1. **Builds by remaining \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Him.**
* Open your Bible to James 4:4-8

*You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world is hatred toward God? Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.* James 4:4

*Sharing the love of God in our homes, community and in the world*

**How to draw near to God:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to God.
2. Resist the devil.
3. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_- Wash your hands and purify your hearts.
4. Grieve and mourn over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ yourself.

*Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.* 1 Peter 5:6

1. **Results in powerful and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ prayer.**

*For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."*

1 Peter 3:12

* Open your Bible to James 5:13-16

**One Final Thought**

You’ll never have a better friend than Christ. Honor Him\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, grow in your understanding of Christ through\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, be faithful to obey His instruction and learn to live a powerful and effective life by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Him.

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