

God's loving friendship to you can be depended upon. In Jesus Christ God offers to all a sense of belonging.

No longer, then do we judge anyone by human standards. Even if at one time we judged Christ according to human standards, we no longer do so. Anyone who is joined to Christ is a new being; the old is gone, the new has come. All this is done by God, who through Christ changed us from enemies into his friends and gave us the task of making others His friends also. Our message is that God was making all human beings his friends through Christ. God did not keep an account of their sins, and he has given us the message which tells how he makes them His friends.

David sings of God's constant love, read Psalm 89:1-18.

David can worship because of God's great love; he relies on His love, and knows that God will protect His people.

What things does David sing about?

What things might you have to sing about?

Your friendship and love to someone can be life-saving.

Remember, in the book of Joshua, Rahab, a harlot of Jericho who had come to believe in the Lord God, found a life-saving opportunity to be a friend to Joshua and the scouts who had come out of the land of Canaan? She made an important decision to believe Joshua and his promise to save her and her family.

All of us possess unique gifts, but there are also many special gifts that we have that equip us for the service of others.

The gift of encouragement:

Philemon 4-7, Brother Philemon, every time I pray, I mention you and give thanks to my God. For I hear of your love for all of God's people and the faith you have in