

# How to be a Friend of Jesus

John 15:9-14, "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command.

## Advice from the mother of Jesus:

JOHN 2:5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever He tells you."

## Jesus said Do Not...

MATTHEW 5:27 You have heard that it was said, **Do not** commit adultery. But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

MATTHEW 5:38 You have heard that it was said, `Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth. But I tell you, **Do not** resist an evil person. If someone strikes you on the right cheek turn to him the other also

MATTHEW 5:42 Give to the one who asks you, and **do not** turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

MATTHEW 6:3 But when you give to the needy, **do not** let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

## What is the responsibility of the one who is borrowing?

The answer is in: ROMANS 13:7 Give everyone what you **owe** him: If you **owe** taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor. **Let no debt remain outstanding**, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law

MATTHEW 6:7 And when you pray, **do not** keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words. <sup>8</sup> **Do not** be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

MATTHEW 6:15 But if you **do not** forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

MATTHEW 6:19 **Do not** store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust **do not** destroy, and where thieves **do not** break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

MATTHEW 6:31 So **do not** worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

MATTHEW 7:1 **Do not** judge, or you too will be judged. For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

MATTHEW 18:10 See that you **do not** look down on one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven.

MATTHEW 19:14 Jesus said, Let the little children come to me, and **do not** hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.

MATTHEW 21:21 Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, if you have faith and **do not** doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and it will be done. If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.

MARK 13:11 Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, **do not** worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.

LUKE 6:37 **Do not** judge, and you will not be judged. **Do not** condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given

JOHN 14:1 **Do not** let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you.

## Jesus said Do...

MATTHEW 7:12 So in everything, **do** to others what you would have them **do** to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

MATTHEW 9:28 When he had gone indoors, the blind men came to him, and he asked them, "**Do** you believe that I am able to **do** this?" "Yes, Lord," they replied.

LUKE 6:27 "But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, **do** good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you

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LUKE 10:25-37 On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I **do** to inherit eternal life?" "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How **do** you read it?" He answered: "`Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind' ; and, `Love your neighbor as yourself.' "

"You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "**Do this and you will live.**" But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. `Look after him,' he said, `and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.' "Which of these three **do** you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "**Go and do likewise.**"

JOHN 6:28 Then they asked him, "What must we **do** to **do** the works God requires?" Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."

JOHN 14:12 I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will **do** what I have been doing. He will **do** even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will **do** whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will **do** it.

COLOSSIANS 3:17 And whatever **you do**, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

## Jesus said Go...

MATTHEW 18:15 "If your brother sins against you, **go** and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over. But if he will not listen, take one or two others along, so that `every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.'

MATTHEW 22:8 "Then he said to his servants, `The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. **Go** to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

MATTHEW 28:19 Therefore **go** and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

JOHN 8:10 Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "**Go now and leave your life of sin.**"

JOHN 15:16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to **go** and bear fruit--fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. This is my command: Love each other.