

Friends of Jesus

John 15:9-17

1. Jesus' friends know his love for them.
 - a. The Father's affirming love for his perfect Son.
 - b. The Son's transforming love for his sinful followers.
 - c. The greatest love: laying down one's life for others.

2. Jesus' friends obey his commands.
 - a. Jesus kept his Father's commands.
 - b. Jesus' love language is *obedience to his commands*.
 - c. Jesus revealed the purpose of the commands.

3. Jesus' friends bear fruit for him—fruit that will last.
 - a. Jesus chose disciples to bear fruit.
 - b. Lasting fruit is *going* and *growing* fruit.
 - c. Jesus' friends ask of the Father and he gives.