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"I am a friend of God He calls me friend"

Talk about how you feel when you hear that phrase. What do you think it means?

Share one of the most significant promotions that you have ever had.

Read John 15:9-17... now put it in your own words as a summary.

- 1) Define the scene and setting of this story. What would it have been like to be in the room with Jesus on this occasion? If you had been one of the disciples and your mind had begun to wonder off; what or where do you think your mind had drifted?
- 2) How does Jesus' statements and admonitions have greater meaning when you see them in the context of all the other dynamics of this passage?

Scripture search John 13:34-35, John 15:12, Romans 13:8, Galatians 5:13, Ephesians 4:2, 1 Peter 5:14, Romans 12:10

- 3) Describe the overall instruction to the Christian that we see in these verses.
- 4) Is this a challenge we practice? In addition, how serious is this to us as Christians?

Describe the two different relationships that we see in John 15:15

- 5) How are they different from each other?
- 6) How do you think the disciples felt when Jesus promoted them to this new relationship?
- 7) In what ways would this change in status effect the followers of Jesus in their lives to come?

Does the world around us truly see us as friends with God? How has that ultimately change your life?

Pray