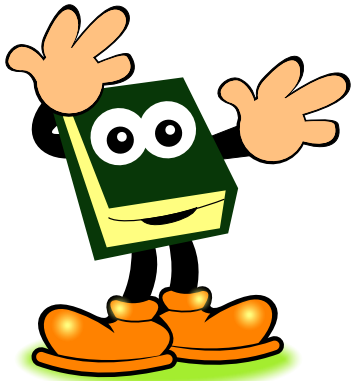


Jesus is Our Friend!



We often talk about God's love for us. But does He actually **LIKE** us?!

Here are some great Bible verses that show the Lord's attitude toward us...

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, **I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.**

Revelation 3:20

These things I have spoken to you, **that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.**

John 15:11

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him.

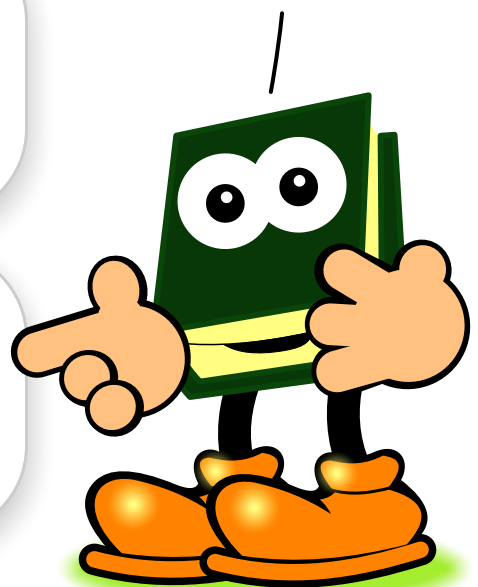
1 John 3:1

I have a witness now in heaven; I have one who will speak for me above. **My go-between is my friend** as I cry tears to God; on my behalf **He pleads my case with God as a friend pleads for a friend.**

Job 16:19-21

Many years before anyone knew Jesus would come from heaven to earth, a man named Job was suffering terrible trials caused by Satan.

Somehow Job knew that he had a friend in heaven—the Lord—a friend that supported him and stood up for him. We have that same friend!



Key Steps for living a great Christian life, from the

LORD'S PRAYER

1

"Our Father in heaven"

God must be our FATHER.

We must be born into the Lord's family. If we do not belong to God, we aren't even on the map to heaven. So, first order of business: Become a Christian.

2

"Hallowed be your name"

God is awesome. We WORSHIP Him.

As we get to know God better, we have a **growing awe and respect** for who He actually is. Wow! We hallow His name: Honor, elevate, raise up, worship.

3

"Your kingdom come"

God is our King. We SERVE Him.

Kings are served by their subjects. Even little kids can be given simple tasks around the classroom. Let them know the things they do are loved by our King.

4

"Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven"

God is in charge. We OBEY Him.

God's will is found in the Bible. Learning God's wisdom and instructions in His word are key to spiritual growth and success.

5

"Give us today our daily bread"

God provides. We DEPEND on Him.

As we walk the road with Jesus we begin to understand that we must depend on Him rather than ourselves. The Lord takes care of us better than we can!

6

"Forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us"

God loves us. We LOVE Him.

Christ showed His love by dying for our sins. We show our love for Him by keeping our relationship with Him healthy, the reason to confess and forgive.

7

"Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil"

God guides us. We WALK with Him.

No matter what happens to us on our travels through this world, those who stick with Jesus know that He will deliver us safe and secure in heaven!