



**I. Defining biblical friendship**

John 15:12-13

*Jesus is the perfect example of biblical friendship*

**II. Empowering biblical friendships**

- A. Jesus wants us to be in His squad (15)
- B. Jesus changes us to become biblical friends (16)

*Jesus is our power for biblical friendships*

**III. Extending biblical friendships**

- A. Fight to bear fruit together, not alone (16)
- B. Fight for each other, not against each other (13)
- C. Fight for one more soul, not giving up ever (14, 17)

John 10:16

*Jesus is our mission through biblical friendships*

**Conclusion**

**"Friends"**

Packing up the dreams God planted  
In the fertile soil of you  
I can't believe the hopes He's granted  
Means a chapter of your life is through

But we'll keep you close as always  
It won't even seem you've gone  
'Cause our hearts in big and small ways  
Will keep the love that keeps us strong

And friends are friends forever  
If the Lord's the Lord of them  
And a friend will not say never  
'Cause the welcome will not end  
Though it's hard to let you go  
In the Father's hands we know  
That a lifetime's not too long  
To live as friends