

Close Friends of God

God's relationship with His close friends is deep. While those who are righteous through Christ understand and cherish this relationship, it will always be a mystery to unbelievers, the carnal, and the wicked. Abraham was loyal to God. He was very much obedient to God. The Bible speaks about him as, The Friend of God (James 2:23). God had a deep relationship with Abraham. In *Genesis 18:17-33*, He shared His plan with Abraham before He destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah. If you are a close friend of God, that is: You obey Him, please Him, and regularly spend time with Him, He can share deep and hidden things with you that can be used to your advantage, and for the good of the Body of Christ (Daniel 2:22). You will continually enjoy His presence in your life and be a living witness of His awesome power, and by that, lead others to Christ.

What Makes a Person a Close Friend? A close friend is loyal to you. He hates what you hate and loves what you love. He does not want to let you down. A close friend defends you at all times. He trusts and believes in you. A close friend does not love you, just for the benefits he enjoys, being your friend. He loves you in good and tough times.

Are you a close friend of God, or still shaking hands with the devil? Jesus Christ said He knows His sheep and His sheep know Him (John 10:14). Assess your relationship with God now, and take steps to be a close friend, if you are not already one.

Shalom!