TRUE FRIENDSHIP

I Samuel 18:1-4
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I. COVENANT FRIENDSHIP IS A **NEW** BEGINNING

I Samuel 18:1

Now it came about when he had finished speaking to Saul, that the soul of Jonathan was **knit** to the soul of David, and Jonathan loved him as himself.

James 2:23

And it so happened just as the Scriptures say, Abraham believed God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith. He was even called the FRIEND of God.

II. COVENANT FRIENDSHIP IS **DESIGNED** BY GOD

I Samuel 18:3 [NASB-u]

Then Jonathan made a **covenant** with David because he loved him as himself.

III. COVENANT FRIENDSHIP IS FOR A <u>LIFETIME</u>

I Samuel 18:4 [NASB-u]

Jonathan <u>stripped himself</u> of the robe that was on him and gave it to David, with his armor, including his sword and his bow and his belt.

TRUE FRIENDSHIPS

- A 'friend' who turns against you was never a true friend!
- A true friend speaks <u>for</u> you...never <u>against</u> you
- A true friend wants what is <u>best</u> for you

- A true friend <u>loves</u> you as much as he loves <u>himself</u>
- A true friend will never <u>forget</u> you
- A true friend is <u>always</u> there for you

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