

Sermon Based Questions

"That Ship Has Sailed: Friend-ship" – Nathan Blais October 12, 2025

Friendship is one of the most important forms of relationship we will have in this life. A friend is someone you choose, and someone who chooses you. True friendship is increasingly important especially when we live in a time with more connections than ever and less connectedness. Thankfully the Bible has much to say about friendship with God and with others.

Share

- 1. What's something small you're thankful for this week that made you smile?
- 2. Think of a "fridge-friend" (someone you'd let grab water from your fridge) what makes that friendship unique?

Discuss

- 3. Read Proverbs 18:24. In your own words, how is a "companion crowd" different from "a friend who sticks closer than a brother"?
- 4. Read 1 Samuel 18:1. What does it mean that Jonathan and David's souls were "knit"? Have you ever had, or do you currently have someone with whom you experience mutual care, trust, and authenticity?

Reflect

- 6. In John 21:15-17, Jesus and Peter are having a conversation about love, but using different words. Jesus ultimately meets Peter where he's at. Where might Jesus be meeting you "where you are" and also inviting you higher?
- 7. Which of the four practices (be friendly, be vulnerable slowly, be generous, don't overdo it) is hardest for you right now, and why? Be specific.
- 8. Read Revelation 3:19-20. How have you experienced Jesus as a friend who brings both grace and truth comforting and confronting?

Apply

- 9. "Be friendly" (Luke 6:31): This week, who will you initiate with first (text, coffee, invite)? Name the person and the first step.
- 10. "Be vulnerable slowly": What is one safe "card" you can share with a trusted friend to deepen connection? When will you share it?

