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## Connected in Christ

[John 15:12-15](#)

*<sup>12</sup> “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.*

Life can have twists, turns, trials, and tribulations, but what is the one thing that gets us all through them? Love.

The greatest gift that God has given the world is when He sent His Son to die on the cross. Why did He do this? Love.

God’s love for us is greater than anything we can ever begin to imagine! The Word of God is filled with so many promises, and love is mentioned throughout the Bible so many times. As we go through life, we can always remember the love that God has for us and the light we have in our lives through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

As the Body of Christ, it is our job to work together and bring others to Him. When we stay in the Word, pray, and love others, we are being faithful and working as the Body to bring joy, peace, and love to others.

Loving one another means being that friend who accepts someone, despite their past. Loving one another means praying for everyone in your life. Loving one another means sharing hope, through the Word of God, with someone who is going through a rough time. Loving one another means trying your best every single day to be like Jesus Christ was and openly embrace every person you encounter.

One of my favorite hymns is “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” because it gives me so much hope and fills my heart with love because Jesus truly calls us His friends in the Bible, and He’s always there for us.

We are branches on the vine that is Jesus, and together we are rooted in God, our Father. When we branch out and are fruitful in His name, we add more branches to the vine, the light in this world grows stronger, and we are all truly connected in Christ. God is so good, the Holy Spirit guides, and Jesus truly saves!

***Prayer:** Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for sending your Son to die for my sins and for loving me unconditionally. As I go through my days, Lord, please help me to be fruitful in Your Name, and to bring others closer to You. I ask that you continue guiding me, and everyone in my life. Thank you for all you do. In Jesus’ name I pray, Amen.*

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