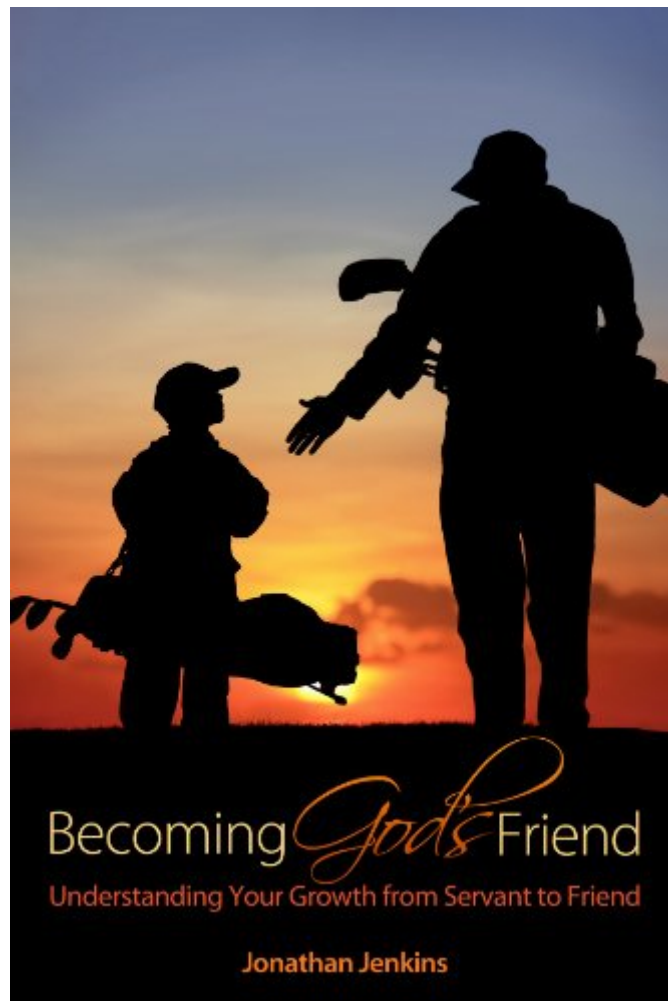


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Becoming God's Friend: Understanding Your Growth From Servant To Friend



Synopsis

Friend. No word is its equal in capturing the power of the most needed relationships in our lives. Marriage without friendship is bondage. Family without friendship is just genetics. Friendship is a choice made in the partnership of two united souls. It is strengthened over time and grows stronger each time it is tested. Friends make life's sorrows softer and its joys sweeter. People need friends. This book has one goal. It wants to show how you can be a treasured friend to God. You can rise above just being a servant in His house. Your place can be even higher than an obedient child in His family. You can stand beside Him as a cherished and needed friend. All it takes from you is for you to fulfill the promise of your faith. One man in the Bible is called "the friend of God" - Abraham. He is the "father of all who believe." His life shows the potential in faith. His life shows the power of the faith that dwells within your heart. This book will help you retrace the steps of Abraham's faith from his call out of Ur to the altar which held his son, Isaac. You will see his growth from God's servant to His friend. It will challenge you to walk in the steps of Abraham's faith. It will call you to see your faith in a new light. You can be more than God's servant. You can become God's friend.

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This book grabs your attention and forces the reader to face questions that are difficult to answer. Being brutally honest with yourself is sometimes harder than being honest with others. Chapter 3 alone deserves re-reading again and again. Jonathan leads the reader on a journey of self-analysis, prodding them along with a gentle hand here, startling them to full attention there, using different types of encouragement all along the way. Be ready to face some thought-provoking questions about your walk with God. This book deserves a wide audience among all who desire a closer relationship with God.

The thing I appreciate the most about this book is its ability to take a subject that is often difficult to fully understand, becoming a friend with God, and break it down into bite size pieces, using the Bible as its point of reference throughout. Taking a character from the Bible, Abraham, and using his life to help us better understand the nature of God and His desire for our relationship together has been very effective in my opinion. I've read the book of Genesis many time, but never with the focus being on the friendship that Abraham developed with God over time. I certainly knew him to be a man of faith, but what I was missing was the overwhelming connection between faith and friendship. It's a powerful message that is a good one for anyone who is looking to better understand what the nature of their relationship with God should look like.

The author presents a challenge to progress from a servant to a steward to a son/ daughter and finally to becoming a friend of God. He describes the progression in very understandable terms and in a way that increases our desire to "take the challenge". What could be better than having God as a friend? This book will inspire you to grow your faith to that pinnacle. I like to give as graduation gifts a book that can have a positive influence as the graduates start their adult lives. This will now become the book I give for that purpose.

The minute a friend let me peruse their copy of this book, I knew I'd be teaching a class on it, which is exactly what I'm doing less than three months later. To so many, living before God is like driving with a cop behind you. To others, friendship with God is an ideal found in scripture, but we just don't know how to get there from where we are. Major kudos to Jonathan for writing a book that both kindles a fire and provides practical application. The writing style isn't fast, which is nice because it

gives the reader time to process the material while reading along. Great book.

This book offers insights into the way we should relate to God by using Abraham's example. We, too, can have a more intimate walk with God if we understand what He wants from us. The author has interwoven personal examples among Biblical examples and makes the idea of having a real friendship with God attainable if one will be open to learning more about Him and how much He loves and desires a close relationship with us. The book was well written and inspiring.

This is the second time I have read and went through this book. First for myself, second as I taught the book. Great truths and thoughts. Appreciate Jonathan Jenkins and how he is able to put these things into words that we can apply. Being God's friend. We can with God as our helper.

I haven't had a chance to read very far into the book, but I already love it. The idea of being God's friend is not common. I have often heard that Christians are the children of God, but this book encourages us to take the next step in our relationship with Him. Christians everywhere should read this book to help them take that next step in their walk with God. The book is written in a way that is clear and easy to understand, but still challenges our thoughts and attitudes toward our relationship with God. I am looking forward to finishing the book and learning how to become God's friend.

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