

2 Peter 1:5-7

For this very reason,
make every effort to supplement
your faith with virtue,
and virtue with knowledge,
and knowledge with self-control,
and self-control with steadfastness,
and steadfastness with godliness,
and godliness with brotherly affection
[Philadelphia]...

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Mark 3:20-21

Then he went home,
and the crowd gathered again,
so that they could not even eat.

And when his family heard it,
they went out to seize him,
for they were saying,
“He is out of his mind.”

“Happy families are all alike;
each unhappy family is unhappy
in its own way.”

~Leo Tolstoy

Luke 15:31-32

And he said to him,
“Son, you are always with me,
and all that is mine is yours.

“It was fitting to celebrate and be glad,
for this your brother was dead, and is alive;
he was lost, and is found.”

Mark 3:31-35

And his mother and his brothers came,
and standing outside they sent to him
and called him.

And a crowd was sitting around him,
and they said to him,
“Your mother and your brothers
are outside, seeking you.”

Mark 3:31-35

And he answered them,
“Who are my mother and my brothers?”

And looking about at those who sat around him,
he said,

“Here are my mother and my brothers!
Whoever does the will of God,
he is my brother and sister and mother.”

1 John 3:16

By this we know love,
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and we ought to lay down our lives
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3 John 1:5

Beloved, it is a faithful thing you do
in all your efforts for these brothers,
strangers as they are...

Proverbs 17:17

A friend loves at all times,
and a brother is born for adversity.

Proverbs 18:24

A man of many companions may come to ruin,
but there is a friend who sticks closer
than a brother.

1 Samuel 18:1

As soon as he had finished speaking to Saul,
the soul of Jonathan was knit
to the soul of David,
and Jonathan loved him as his own soul.

John 15:12-15

“This is my commandment,
that you love one another as I have loved you.

Greater love has no one than this,
that someone lays down his life for his friends.

“You are my friends if you do what I command you.

No longer do I call you servants,
for the servant does not know
what his master is doing;
but I have called you friends,
for all that I have heard from my Father
I have made known to you.”

James 2:23

And the Scripture was fulfilled that says,
“Abraham believed God,
and it was counted to him as righteousness” –
and he was called a friend of God.

James 4:4

You adulterous people!
Do you not know that friendship with the world
is enmity with God?

Therefore whoever wishes to be
a friend of the world makes himself
an enemy of God.