



Day 25

Beloved Peacekeepers,

Day 2 of the InterPersonal experience -- today's word is Friendliness, as I write, let's exam the word: Friendliness - Friend"li*ness, n. The condition or quality of being friendly. This definition can be interpreted many ways for me I look at how I can best be in the world.

Today's message is also written for a long time family friend, Lewis, who made is transition at the young age of 63 late last night. Lewis, was a member of my parents Church Youth Group - he shared many things/life journeys with our family, none more powerful than his friendship, his family, his life story.....Lewis, "my peace, I give you."

Today's Principle, Today's Practice - FRIENDLINESS

To humorist Will Rogers (a native Oklahoman), strangers were simply friends he hadn't met. View those you encounter today in that light. Make a new acquaintance.

Ask yourself: Who is the friendliest person you know? How do you know it? Is friendliness a quality you are born with or can you cultivate it? Do you know a friendly stranger? How did they act and who are they? How can you be a friendlier person?

Activities:

Listen to "Bridge Over Troubled Water" or "Stand by Me". Analyze and describe the lyrics and listen again - note the use of melody, tempo and tone to replay the feelings of the message.

Create "friendship cards" - send them to people you like and would like to know better - or perhaps in gratitude.

Journal Activity: Journal your thoughts....from the activities above.

Consider these Quotes on FRIENDLINESS:

Let me live in a house by the side of the road and be a friend to man. Sam Walter Foss

The imaginary friends I had as a kid dropped me because their friends thought I didn't exist. - Henry Miller

A faithful friend is a strong defense, and he that hath found one hath found a treasure - Bible

A friend is, as it were, a second self - Cicero

The glory of friendship is not the outstretched hand, nor the kindly smile... it's the spiritual inspiration that comes to one when he discovers that someone else believes in him and is willing to trust him with his friendship. - Ralph Waldo Emerson

Thank you Friend I never came to you, my friend, and went away without some new enrichment of the heart; More faith and less of doubt, more courage in the days ahead. And often in great need coming to you, I went away comforted indeed. How can I find the shining word, the glowing phrase that tells all that your love has meant to me, all that your friendship spells? There is no word, no phrase for you to whom I so depend. All I can say to you is this - God bless you precious friend - Grace Noll Crowell

Winning has always meant much to me, but winning friends has meant the most. - Babe Didrikson Zaharias

A smile is the light in your window that tells others that there is a caring, sharing person inside. - Denis Waitley

We all take different paths in life, but no matter where we go, we take a little of each other everywhere - Tim Mcgraw

The language of friendship is not words but meanings. - Henry David Thoreau

Two friends, two bodies with one soul inspired. - Homer

Life's most urgent question is: What are you doing for others? - Martin Luther King, Jr



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Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind.
- Dr Suess

Friends are as companions on a journey, who ought to aid each other to persevere in the road to a happier life.
- Pythagoras

Old friends pass away, new friends appear. It is just like the days. An old day passes, a new day arrives. The important this is to make it meaningful: a meaningful friend - - or a meaningful day. - Dalai Lama

"Keep smiling, keep shining, knowing you can always count on me for sure -- that's what friends are for....."
Remembering the friendships of our time, the joys of new friends, and the gifts of humankind.

Blessings,

Kathleen
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