True Friendship



John 15: 9-15 "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's <u>commands</u> and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: <u>Love</u> each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my <u>friends</u> if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you."

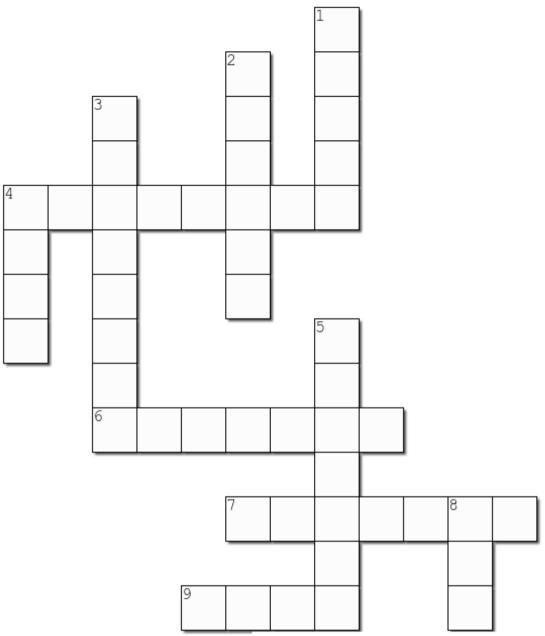
Romans 5: 6-8 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, <u>Christ</u> died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone <u>die</u> for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still <u>sinners</u>, Christ died for us.

Colossians 3:12-14 Therefore, as God's chosen people, <u>holy</u> and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, <u>humility</u>, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and <u>forgive</u> one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect <u>unity</u>.

Prayer: Lord, thank you for sending Jesus, my most faithful friend. Help me to love other people like you have loved me. Amen.

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Use words from the Bible verses on page 1 to help you complete this puzzle. (Hint: answers are underlined on page 1.)



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<u>Across</u>

- **4.** meekness; the opposite of prideful
- **6.** While we were still ____, Christ died for us.
- 7. You are my ____ if you do what I command.
- 9. ____ each other as I have loved you

Down

- the state of being united or joined as a whole
- 2. died for our sins
- 3. instructions, rules, decrees
- 4. set apart for God
- **5.** to not hold one's sins against them
- **8.** to pass away, to cease being alive