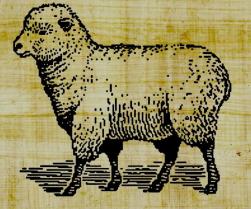


The Face of Friendship 1 Samuel 18.1-4







1 Samuel 18.¹ After David had finished talking with Saul, Jonathan became one in spirit with David, and he <u>loved him as himself</u>. ³ And Jonathan made a covenant with David <u>because</u> he loved him as himself.



- Choose
- Declare
- Loyal
- Authentic



Authentic

There was transparency.



Heb 3.¹³ But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called "today," <u>so that</u> none of you may be hardened by sin's <u>deceitfulness</u>.



Authentic
There was transparency.
There was trust.



Mentored

1 Thessalonians 4:⁹ Now about <u>brotherly love</u> we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been <u>taught by God</u> to love each other.

Mentored

 Begins with an encounter with Christ. – 1 John 4.7

Informed by the example of Christ. – 1 John 4.19



"When <u>we received</u> forgiveness instead of judgment, <u>we, too, were made ready</u> to forgive our brethren. What God did to us, we then owed to others. The more we received, the more we were able to give... <u>Thus God</u> <u>Himself taught us</u> to meet one another as God has met us in Christ."

- Bonhoeffer



Mentored

- Begins with an encounter with Christ. 1 John 4.7
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- Matures me in my character and experience with Christ. – 1 John 4.12