

How to Be God's Friend

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Oakbrook Community Church (PCA)

Genesis 18

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 - b. Served immediately
 - c. Served generously with the best
 - d. Served with humility
 - e. Served by involving others
- B. Abraham ministers to his home (18:9-15)
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 - b. The "impossible" became possible
 - c. Abraham's relationship with God positively blessed family
- C. Abraham ministered to a lost world (18:16-33)
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What About You?

Would you be called a friend of God?

ACTION: Write out specific ways YOU need to grow in your relationship with God to be His friend, lay out a plan, ask another believer to help you.

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> In ministering in my home I need to:

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