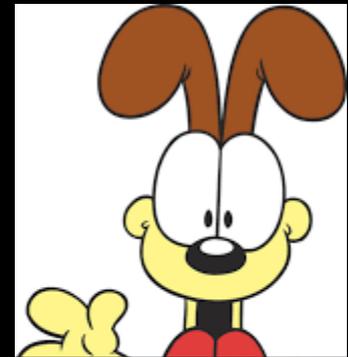
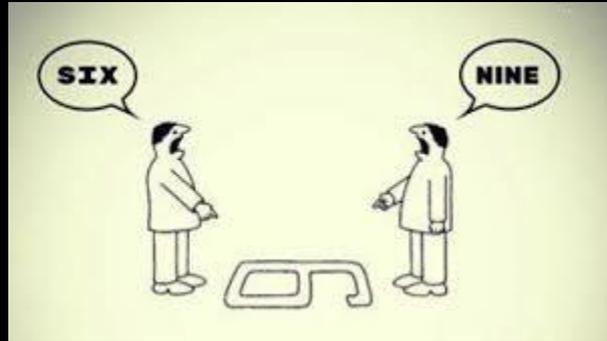






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# There is a Friend at all Times

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

Proverbs 17:17





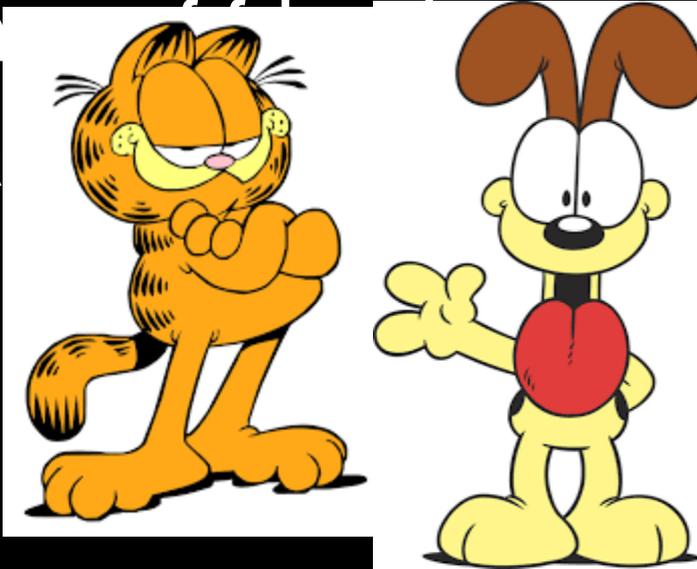
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A man  
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himself be broken,  
who sticks closer

Proverbs 18:24



# There is a Friend at all Times

John 15:12-17



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What having Jesus as a friend brings v12-15:

How having Jesus as a friend happens v16:

Where having Jesus as a friend is to go v16,17:



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# You are My friends

Then Jesus said to them, "All of you will be made to stumble because of Me this night, for it is written: 'I will strike the Shepherd, And the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'

- Mat. 36:21 & Mk 14:27



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Where having Jesus as a friend is to go v16,17:  
\* that you should go and bear fruit v16

# NT Fruit

character - Gal. 5:22,23

conduct - Heb. 12:11, Rom. 6:22, 2Pet.1:8

converts - John 4:35-38, Rom. 1:13

concerned giving - Phil.4:17, Rom. 15:28

continuing service - Phil.1:22

choruses of praise - Heb. 13:15



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\* that your fruit should remain v16



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Where having Jesus as a friend is to go v16,17:

- \* that you should go and bear fruit v16
- \* that your fruit should remain v16
- \* that whatever you ask God is given to you v16
- \* that you love one another v17 and v12



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*The options here are:*

*friend of Jesus as noted - or*

*friend of the world, which is hostility.*

*James 4:4*