

Church family,

I was recently looking at a New Year's card from some family friends. It was one of those cards where the couple told all about their kids, what happened in their family this past year, and what their plans are for this coming year. These particular family friends have been sending a card like this for years. I'm sure you get cards like this every year too.

As I was reading, I began to think about what a special gift friendship truly is. It is a wondrous thing to have people that we can share our lives with, and whose support and encouragement we can count on. Proverbs 27:9 says, "Perfume and incense bring joy to the heart, and the pleasantness of a friend springs from their heartfelt advice."

My message today is simply an encouragement to be thankful for your friends. For they are a precious gift given to you by God. More than that, it is an encouragement to go be a friend to others, perhaps those who have no other friends besides you.

Blessings,  
Pastor Jordan