

Dear Zas,

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FRIENDSHIP OR FELLOWSHIP

We need to understand that **there is a great difference between Friendship and Fellowship**. **Friendship is a human trait or attribute.** People of the world can have friendship with people of the world. A godly person and believers can also have friendship with people of the world. A godly person can die for another friend. That's what the Bible says in Rom 5:7, "*For one may die, yet peradventure for a good man*". Yes, it is possible for a godly person to die for another friend. There is ample evidence that natural friendship can go to such an extreme end. Friendship between people can be pure, loyal, and can be called fellowship.

It is possible to have a certain kind of unity without life. For many kinds of unions where they maintain a kind of unity. Union can be without life. So we find a kind of unity which is based on an outward agreement. **Such groups and unions are devoid of inward life.**

True fellowship requires life and without life there cannot be fellowship. **An inward matter basically and can best be described as the inter-communication.**

In Christianity, fellowship is a term translated from the Greek word 'koinonia' which means communion, participation and communication. It refers to communion, participation and communication because of a life. **THUS, FELLOWSHIP IS A MATTER OF LOYALTY; IT IS MORE THAN BEING TRUE TO ONE ANOTHER.**



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together and talk about a lot of worldly things; they can even talk c
also talk ill of others. Worldly friends can talk about a wide var
education, politics or art. They can sit and talk for hours, and even c
can even scheme to harm others, murder someone or plan evil thir
unity even in friendship! Many things can be done under the banne
is based upon an inward life.

**One of the prevalent deceptions of Satan is to call the 'friends
as 'fellowship'. Common friendship between believers is often m
can be a lot of friendship between brothers but it cannot be calle
very careful. Many mistake friendship for fellowship today. And it is
falling into the enemy's trap. Christian friends may come together a
activities", such as singing, sharing and eating, but that does not amo
counterfeit of true fellowship! That is where we need to have disc
**Many gatherings and times of interaction for spiritual activities d
such gatherings and assemblies fail to promote life then they ca
meetings. Fellowship is not the ultimate objective of coming tog
have life in Christ Jesus, but fellowship is the instrument to obtain tl****

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