

True Friendship



John 15: 9-15 “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.”

Romans 5: 6-8 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

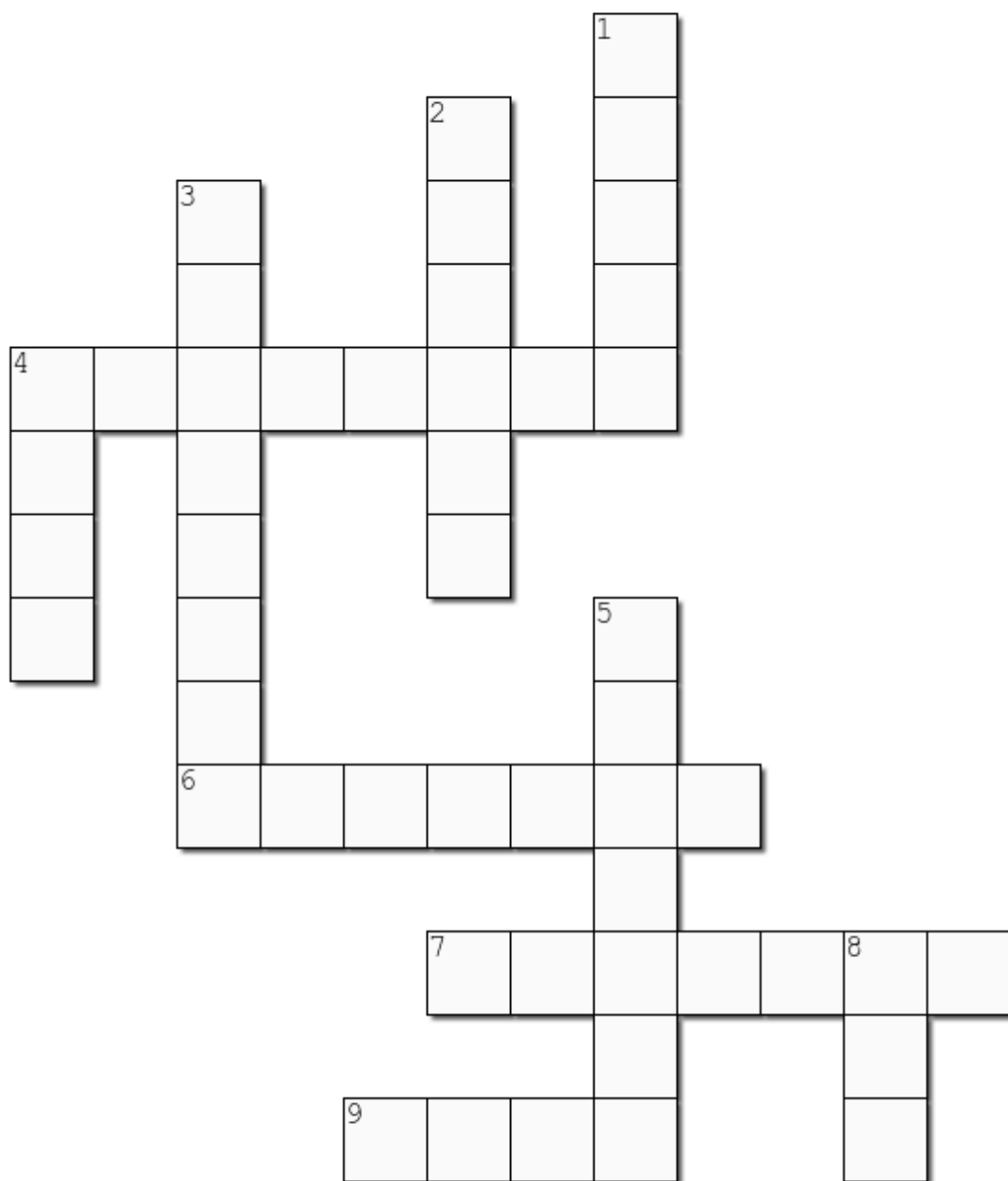
Colossians 3:12-14 Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

Prayer: Lord, thank you for sending Jesus, my most faithful friend. Help me to love other people like you have loved me. Amen.



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Use words from the Bible verses on page 1 to help you complete this puzzle. (Hint: answers are underlined on page 1.)



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Across

4. meekness; the opposite of prideful
6. While we were still _____, Christ died for us.
7. You are my _____ if you do what I command.
9. _____ each other as I have loved you

Down

1. the state of being united or joined as a whole
2. _____ died for our sins
3. instructions, rules, decrees
4. set apart for God
5. to not hold one's sins against them
8. to pass away, to cease being alive