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**There's Nothing That Our God Can't Do\***

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Just one word, You calm the storm that surrounds me  
Just one word, The darkness has to retreat  
Just one touch, I feel the presence of heaven  
Just one touch, My eyes were opened to see  
My heart can't help but believe

There's nothing that our God can't do  
There's not a mountain that He can't move  
Oh praise the name that makes a way  
There's nothing that our God can't do

Just one word, You heal what's broken inside me  
Just one word, And you revive ev'ry dream  
Just one touch, I feel the power of heaven  
Just one touch, My eyes were opened to see  
My heart can't help but believe

There's nothing that our God can't do  
There's not a mountain that He can't move  
Oh praise the name that makes a way  
There's nothing that our God can't do

There's nothing that our God can't do  
There's not a prison wall He can't break through  
Oh praise the name that makes a way  
There's nothing that our God can't do

I will believe for greater things  
There's no power like the power of Jesus  
Let faith arise let all agree  
There's no power like the power of Jesus

**Friend of God†**

Israel Houghton, Michael Gungor

Who am I that You are mindful of me  
That You hear me when I call  
Is it true that You are thinking of me  
How You love me it's amazing  
(It's amazing it's amazing)

I am a friend of God  
I am a friend of God  
I am a friend of God  
He calls (You call) me friend (REPEAT)

God Almighty Lord of Glory  
You have called me friend



**John 15 (NRSV)**

9 As (*kathos*) the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide (*menó*) in my love (*agape*). 10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. 11 I

have said these things to you so that my joy (*chara*) may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

12 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. 13 No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends (*philos*). 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you. 15 I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. 16 You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last (*menó*), so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. 17 I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

## Fruit, Friends, and Figures of Speech (John 15)

- **Introduction**
  - **Last week: John 15:1-8 (the vine and the branches)**

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- **John 15: 9-17**
  - **Clarification of last week's figure of speech and some new ideas**

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- **Verses 9-11**
  - **Love (*agape*)**
  - **Just as (*kathos*)**
  - **Joy (*chara*)**

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- **Verse 12-14: This is my commandment**
  - **John 13:34**
  - **No greater *agape*: laying down one's life**
  - ***Agape* and *philos***

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- **"I have called you friends"**
  - **Reciprocal but not equal**
  - **Friends talk to each other**

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- **Fruit that will last (verse 16)**
  - **Last: abide (*menó*)**
  - **The perspective of the vine**
  - **If you want fruit to "abide," plant the seed**

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## What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Joseph Medlicott Scriven

What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!

## Doxology

Thomas Ken

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

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