

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Look

We have acquaintances we keep at a distance, friends and family we spend more time with, and then there are those we “abide” with.

1. Describe a time your relationship with a friend, roommate or partner changed when you began living together or spending more time together. What was that change like?
2. How does “abiding” with someone else change who we are? What is it like when we are apart?

## Book

*John 14:15-21*

Continuing to encourage his disciples, Jesus promises to never leave them orphaned and to send them an advocate.

1. What are the qualities of the advocate? How does he come to us?
2. How will Jesus know we love him?
3. How can Jesus “make a home” with us?

## Took

As Janet said, only Jesus can make good on the promise to never leave us. That hope is the basis of our faith. God takes pleasure in abiding with us when we let him.

1. What are some of the ways you abide in Jesus and allow him to make a home in you?
2. Why do we sometimes resist Jesus as our “roommate”?
3. How can our community keep God’s commandments together so that Jesus will be at home in us?