

## Questions for Homegroups.

### Session 2: Committed - spiritual friends share life with us.

1. Aelred of Rievaulx said “friendship is a step towards the love and knowledge of God.” What do you think this means?
2. Why did Ruth want to accompany Naomi home yet Orpah did not? Ruth 1
3. Through all the events of their lives, how did Ruth and Naomi encourage each other in their faith? Ruth 2 - 4
4. What did Elizabeth do to demonstrate spiritual friendship to Mary?  
Luke 1 v 39-45
5. Share times when you have felt supported in prayer by friends. What difference did this make to you?
6. C.S. Lewis in his book *The Four Loves* states that ‘Christ can truly say to every group of Christian friends: You haven’t chosen me but I’ve chosen you for one another.’ Do you think that God has selected your friends for you or do you think you have found your own friends?
7. In what ways did Timothy and Epaphroditus show commitment to Paul? Philippians 2 v 19-30
8. Can you think of any times when you might have let a friend down? What could you have done differently?
9. Share some examples of friends who have supported you in your spiritual journey and encouraged you to be obedient to your specific calling.
10. What could you do to be a more committed spiritual friend to your friends?