

**I love you because you  
Are helping me to make  
Of the lumber of my life  
Not a tavern  
But a temple;  
Out of works  
Of my every day  
Not a reproach  
But a song.**

**I love you  
Because you have done  
More than any creed  
Could have done  
To make me good,  
And more than any fate  
Could have done  
To make me happy.**

**You have done it  
Without a touch,  
Without a word,  
Without a sign.**

**You have done it  
By being yourself.  
Perhaps that is what  
Being a friend means,  
After all.**

**— Roy Croft**

**The ornaments of our house  
are the friends that frequent it.**

**— Ralph Waldo Emerson**

**Love is the greatest of human  
affections, and friendship the  
noblest and most refined  
improvement of love.**

**— South**

**Only God Gives A Friend**

I think that God will never send.  
A gift so precious as a friend.  
A friend who always understands.  
And fills each need as it demands.  
Whose loyalty will stand the test.  
When skies are bright or overcast.  
Who sees the faults that merit  
blame.

But keeps on loving just the same.  
Who does far more than creeds  
could do.

To make us good, to make us true.  
Earth's gifts a sweet contentment  
lend.

But only God can give a friend!

**— Rosalie Carter**

*The only way to live happily with people  
is to overlook their faults and admire their  
virtues.*

● Some people make enemies instead  
of friends because it is less trouble.

**— E.C. Mckenzie**

● Be slow in choosing a friend, slower  
in changing.

**— Benjamin Franklin**

● An old friend is better than two new  
ones.

**— Russian Proverb**

● Associate yourself with men of good  
quality if you esteem your own reputa-  
tion; for 'tis better to be alone than in bad  
company.

**— George Washington**

● When we lose a friend we die a little.

● If you really want to know who your  
friends are, just make a mistake.

**— The Bible Friend**

● So long as we love we serve. No man  
is useless while his is a friend.

**— Robert Louis Stevenson**