



Hi Saints,

I would guess you opened this email with a wry smile wondering where in the world I am going with it - I would have opened it for the same reason. Well, Jesus was a true Texan, but not in the way we proud natives usually mean it. He wasn't born in Texas. But he was the epitome of what the word Texan means. The word comes from a Caddo Indian word spelled Tejas, which means "Friend." Jesus is the truest Friend you have.

He was emphasizing this the night before he died - He was with his disciples and he wanted them to see how faithful and loyal he was to them and all humanity as our very best Friend.

He said, "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his Friends. You are my friends." John 15:13

Jesus knew from the bottom of his heart that he was the truest friend we would ever had. He was laying down his life and he was thinking of how friendly that was - No one is more loyal to you dear saint than Jesus. He gave it all - he faced death - the end of his earthly life for you so that you could live forever. He is your Texan - your Tejas - your friend.

Next time you see the Texas flag - Let it remind you that you are a citizen of Jesus' state - the sate of his friendship.

And no matter what you are going through - remember that your friend who laid down his life for you - is also watching over your life from heaven. Friends pay attention to their friends.

In His Friendship,

Pastor P