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1. 'Keep in touch' 2. I AM in the Gospel of John 3. A poem; My name is I AM

Social media helps us to keep in touch. As Jesus prepares to go to the Father, he underlines, prioritizes *keeping in touch*.

We need to underline and prioritize *keeping in touch* – prayer helps us to keep in touch, not only during the week, not only during the semester, but in and out of season.

As you go dear finalists, Year V students, please prioritise *keeping in touch*. Keeping in touch with the God who **cares** – he prunes brings the best out of you. Keeping in touch with the God who **nourishes** – for a branch cannot live on its own. Keeping in touch with the God who **collaborates** – he is in me and I am in him, thus we bear fruit.

Please do not be an Indifferent Christian, an independent Christians but be an intimate Christian

God keeps in touch. His feasts especially Eastertide are about keeping in touch, so please keep in touch.

2. 'I AM' - Is about keeping in touch

In Exodus 3:14 God says I AM WHO I AM

'I AM' in the Gospel of John – 7 times, also 7 miracles in John. 7 is a holy figure.

1. I AM the Bread of life Jn. 6:35 – He sustains us
2. I AM the light of the world Jn. 8:12 – Understanding and wisdom comes from Him
3. I Am the gate of the door Jn. 10:9 – freedom to the kingdom
4. I AM the good shepherd Jn. 10:11 – paid for entrance fee
5. I AM the Resurrection and Life Jn. 11:25-6 –guaranteed eternal life
6. I AM the Way the Truth and the Life Jn. 14:6 – only one to do this

7. I AM the Vine Jn. 15:5 – his strength works in us

Therefore Jesus is God, we need to FOCUS ON HIM, KEEP IN TOUCH WITH HIM!

3. Poem; My name is I AM

I was regretting the past
And fearing the future
Suddenly my Lord was speaking;
Poem; My name is I AM”.

He paused,
I waited...He continued;
When you live in the past
With its mistakes and regrets
It is hard, I am not there
My name is not I WAS

When you live in the future
With its problems and fears
It is hard, I am not there
My name is not I WILL BE

When you live in this moment
It is not hard, I am here
My name is I AM.

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