

Friendship



MEMORY VERSE: Whoever walks with the wise will become wise; whoever walks with fools will suffer harm.
Proverbs 13:20



The Importance of Good Friends

1. Why is our memory verse such an important truth?
2. Why do we need friends? v.18:1
3. What do these Proverbs teach about **choosing good friends** and avoiding bad ones?
18:24

24:21,22

27:6

27:9

27:17

28:7

28:10

4. How do you think people can be “destroyed” by the people they consider to be “friends?”

5. What insight does the Bible give us regarding harmful or problem people in our lives?
16:7

22:10

25:7b-10

25:21,22

25:19

25:26

B Vices and Virtues and Their Effect on Relationships

6. How do you think envy can hurt a friendship? v. 14:30

7. What do these verses say about anger or being slow to anger? How might these truths affect relationships?

14:17

15:18

19:11

19:19

29:11

29:22

8. How do you think alcohol abuse affects relationships? v. 20:1

9. Why does fear of man spoil friendships? v. 29:25

10. What effect do you think pride vs. humility, or honesty vs. dishonesty, has on relationships?
11:1-3

16:5

16:18

18:12

22:4

22:5

29:23

11. Why do you think having a good reputation helps attract good friends? v. 22:1



How to Be a Good Friend Instead of a Bad One

12. Think of a true friend in your life. What qualities make them a good friend?

13. What insight do these verses give you on **how to be a good friend**?

25:17

25:18

25:20

31:8,9

14. Think back on all the verses we studied on the power and potential of the tongue. What impact do you think words have on friendships?

15. Jesus is the best friend we can ever have. What did He say about friendship? John 15:9-13

16. What one thing would you like to focus on in order to be a better friend?

17. Optional Bonus Question: Look at Proverbs 31:10-31. In one or two words for each verse, write the character trait that a godly woman possesses. (ie. v.10 valuable, v.11 trustworthy...)

WALK IN TRUTH



“Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from His love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and sympathetic? Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one heart and purpose. Don’t be selfish; don’t live to make a good impression on others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourself. Don’t think only about your own affairs, but be interested in others too, and what they are doing. Your attitude should be the same that Christ Jesus had.” Philippians 2:1-5