

# Friendship



Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: 10 If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up. 11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? 12 Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

God made humans for relationships. He made us social beings, who long to be accepted, known, and loved. And while He wants us to find the ultimate friendship in Him, He also gives us friends here on earth - friends who can laugh with us, cry with us, and encourage us towards godliness.

Proverbs 12:26 The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray.

3 John 1: 2-4, 11 Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well. 3 It gave me great joy when some believers came and testified about your faithfulness to the truth, telling how you continue to walk in it. 4 I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth. 11 Dear friend, do not imitate what is evil but what is good. Anyone who does what is good is from God. Anyone who does what is evil has not seen God.

Proverbs 13:20 Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.

Prayer: God, thank you for the gift of friendship. I'm grateful for all the special friends you've given me in my life, some of whom have come and gone. Help me to be a friend to others and to look to You to be my best friend.



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