

What the Bible Teaches About

FRIENDSHIP

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Proverbs 18:19

“A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the bars of a castle.”

Friendship
(series introduction)

John 15:12-17, et al.

“To the ancients, Friendship seemed the happiest and most fully human of all loves; the crown of life and the school of virtue. The modern world, in comparison, ignores it.”

~ C. S. Lewis

“Two things are essential in this world—life, and friendship. Both must be highly prized, and not undervalued.”

~ Augustine

**“Friendship is the highest happiness
of all moral agents.”**

~ Jonathan Edwards

“Nothing is more refreshing to the soul (except communication with God himself), than the company and society of a good friend.”

~ Esther Edwards Burr

**“I think to a feeling mind there is no
temporal pleasure equal to the
pleasure of friendship.”**

~ John Newton

Proverbs 18:24

“A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.”

- 1. Friendship is one of the most important, but perhaps least-thought-about aspects of life.**
- 2. Being friendly and being a friend are not the same thing.**
- 3. Friendship requires commitment.**

Proverbs 27:10

“Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: for better is a neighbour that is near than a brother far off.”

- 4. Friendship requires openness and transparency.**
- 5. Friendship is not a lesser form of love.**