

Wiser Living Thru Proverbs

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Becoming Wiser With My Friends

- I) What do we experience when we don't have real friendships?
- A) _____.
 - B) _____.
 - C) _____.
 - D) The common theme: they're _____.
 - E) Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him." Genesis 2:18
 - F) A mirror reflects a man's face, but what he is really like is shown by the kind of friends he chooses. Proverbs 27:19 (TLB)
 - G) Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character." 1 Corinthians 15:33 (NIV)
- II) Levels of friendships.
- A) _____.
 - B) _____.
 - C) _____.
 - D) _____.
- III) The type of friend I am is the type of friend I will attract.

A Real Friend Must Be:

- I) _____.
- A) A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother. Proverbs 18:24 (NIV)
 - B) There are "friends" who destroy each other, but a real friend sticks closer than a brother. Proverbs 18:24
 - C) Some friends may ruin you, but a real friend will be more loyal than a brother. Proverbs 18:24 (NCV)
- II) _____.
- A) Kindness makes a man attractive. And it is better to be poor than dishonest. Proverbs 19:22 (TLB)
 - B) Loyalty makes a person attractive. It is better to be poor than dishonest. Proverbs 19:22

C) Love prospers when a fault is forgiven, but dwelling on it separates close friends. Proverbs 17:9

D) Treat people the way you want to be treated.

III) _____.

A gossip goes around telling secrets, but those who are trustworthy can keep a confidence.

Proverbs 11:13

IV) _____.

A) An open rebuke is better than hidden love! Wounds from a sincere friend are better than many kisses from an enemy. Proverbs 27:5-6

B) It is an honor to receive a frank reply. Proverbs 24:26 (TLB)

C) An honest answer is like a kiss of friendship. Proverbs 24:26

V) _____.

As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend. Proverbs 27:17

VI) Sixth, _____.

A) A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. Proverbs 17:17 (NIV)

B) A friend is always loyal, and a brother is born to help in time of need. Proverbs 17:17

If we are unfaithful, he remains faithful, for he cannot deny who he is.

2 Timothy 2:13

So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.

Romans 5:11