

Friendship is using your words and actions to show others you care.



DAY 1

Read Ecclesiastes 4:9-10, Nlrv

This month, we're talking about friendship! Friendship is using your words and actions to show others you care! Name some of your favorite friends:

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Chances are, the people you listed are fun, helpful, kind, and encouraging! And hopefully, they would say the same thing about you. Good friends make everything better for sure.

Take a minute to pray and thank God for the friends you've listed above. Ask God to help you to be a good friend to them, to use words and actions that build them up and show you care. Because two people really are better than one!

DAY 2

Read Proverbs 22:24-25, Nlrv

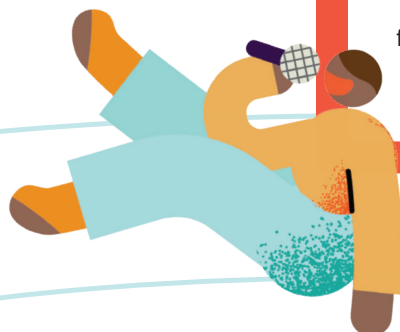
We all lose our cool sometimes. But it's not fun to hang around someone who constantly loses their temper over something that shouldn't be such a big deal. That's why it's important to choose your friends carefully. Because when someone around you gets really upset about something silly, you could end up getting hurt. Or even, you could start to pick up their bad temper too.

Think about the kids at school or in your neighborhood that you regularly hang out with. Which of your friends can remain calm under pressure? Make sure you have friends like that in your closest circles. Because friends who keep their cool will help you keep yours too.

Negative To Positive

Today's verse is full of things we shouldn't do! How could you rewrite today's verse to list what we should do instead? Fill in the blanks below:

"Choose friends with out..... . Hang with friends that stay You might learn their habits. And then you'll be a friend."





DAY 3

Read I Corinthians 15:33, Nlrv

Today's verse reminds us that your closest friends can affect your own behavior. Their bad habits, their tempers, their tendency to say unkind things, might cause you to do the same. Even if that kid seems to be the coolest kid in your class, God reminds us not to be fooled.



Memory Verse

Grab a piece of paper and write today's verse. As you write, ask God to help you not be fooled and to choose your friends carefully.

DAY 4

Read Proverbs 13:20, Nlrv

Choosing friends carefully is a bit like camouflage! When we choose friends who are wise, we become wise. But the opposite is true too. If you surround yourself with people who make poor choices, you might find yourself making poor choices too.

It's easy to begin to look and act like the people you spend the most time with. That's why it's important to choose friends who will make you better, wiser, stronger, and kinder. Friends who follow Jesus and display the fruits of His Spirit like love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, and gentleness too.



Choose your friends carefully.

