



Notes | February 25, 2024

## How Do We Have Godly friendships?

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Friendship is the reflection of our deep desire to connect with God. Godly friendships remind us of that desire and point us back to Him. They help us see what we cannot and call us to more. When we have those friendships in our lives, we should lean into them and leverage them. If we're in need of them, we should be intentional in our pursuit of them. Sometimes these relationships require us to take new risks so we can reach new ground in our faith journey.

### Key Scripture | Galatians 6:1-2

*Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.*

### Related Scriptures

Ephesians 3:14-21; Ephesians 4:15; II Samuel 12

### Icebreakers:

Q: What's the strangest way you've made a friend?



## Key Thoughts and Reflections:

### I. Have a friend that speaks TRUTH in LOVE.

Q: Who is someone in your life that speaks truth to you?

Q: How have they spoken truth into your life?

Q: How have you spoken truth into someone else's life?

### II. Have a friend that points you BACK to Jesus.

Q: Has a friend or someone had to point you back to Jesus? How did they do it?

Q: Have you ever had to point someone back to Jesus? How did it go?

Q: Why is it important to have someone who points you back to Jesus?

### III. Have a friend that reminds you of the MORE God has for you.

Q: Share a time when you drifted from the belief that God has MORE for you.

Q: What was your journey back to God like? Have you fully returned to Him?

Q: How can you ensure you're surrounded by Godly friendships?

## Get Practical

If you have a Godly friendship, leverage them! Create time this week to schedule a phone call or in-person connect with them. If you don't have a Godly friendship, start investing in relationships around you. Invite people into your life! If there's a person in your life who models Godly friendship, ask them to meet—be willing to risk in relationships!

GROUPS are a great place to meet Godly friends that can develop into life-long relationships. If you're looking for friends that can help hold you accountable, join a Group this season by texting GROUPS to 37748.