

Argyle LifeGroup Study Guide: The Path, part 11

1. Read Proverbs 9:10 (NCV). If our children don't learn respect in the home, where will they learn it?
2. Some people believe that following God is all about keeping a list of rules. And yes, there are rules. But "God has designed life to be so much more than just keeping the rules. What does that mean to you?
3. Read John 15:15. The heart of God longs for friendship. We were created to be the friends of God. How does that make you feel?
4. Read Proverbs 13:20. Hang with the wise and you'll become wise. Hang with the fools and you'll become a fool. Why do you think most people believe they will be the exception?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 15:33 (NCV). Never forget that the people you spend time with are a reflection of the person you will become. Why does this scare parents to death?
6. Read Proverbs 18:24 (CSB). Even the most connected of us can still be very lonely. Why is that true?
7. A true friend will _____.
8. We all need true friends who won't tell us what we want to hear, but have the _____ to tell us what we need to hear.
9. Read Proverbs 27:6 (NCV) and Proverbs 27:17 (CSB)
What do these verses have in common? They both _____.
10. A true friend will never damage you, though they may for a moment hurt you for your own good. But it will always be with respect, love, grace and truth. Discuss what this means.
11. A true friend will _____ . Read Proverbs 17:9 (NCV)
12. When we are offended, the wise person just goes right ahead and forgives, just like God forgives. How does God forgive? Read Ephesians 4:32 (NCV)
13. Read Proverbs 11:12 (NCV). Sometimes silence can save a friendship. What does that mean?
14. Benjamin Franklin said "Guests, like fish, stink after three days."
Be careful to not "smother" your friendships. Read Proverbs 25:17 (NCV)
15. Closing thought: It's a beautiful thing to see a friendship grow through the years with the wisdom of God. When we honor God with our friendships, He can do great and mighty things for His glory.