

Be Careful Who You Choose as Friends

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Friends are good a thing to have. The Bible tells us a lot about friends. There are 110 verses in the scriptures that mention friends (CEV). This tells me that God places importance on friendship and we should be careful on the types of friends we choose to have. We could do like David did and choose the best friend in the entire world. We read in Psa 144:2, "You are my friend, and you are my fortress where I am safe. You are my shield..." Psa 30:7 says, "You, LORD, were my friend, and you made me strong as a mighty mountain." This is the kind of friend we need, one who is always there, ready to rescue and protect us.

Many have made bad choices when it comes to friendship. They have friends as these: Pro 25:19 "A friend you can't trust in times of trouble is like having a toothache or a sore foot." Psa 55:20 "My friend turned against me and broke his promise." Unfortunately, these are the types of friends many of us have. So, how can I know if I have a good friend or not? Here are the guidelines given by God: Pro 11:13 "A gossip tells everything, but a true friend will keep a secret." And Pro 17:17 "A friend is always a friend, and relatives are born to share our troubles." These are simple guidelines that summarize it so well.

My question for us is: what kind of friends do we have right now? Your best Friend, God, wants you to have Him as best friend, and wishes you would be careful in choosing your earthly friends.

In Him,
Pr. Paul

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