

BookFest 2019
“The Company We Keep: In Search of Biblical Friendship”
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Chapter 1 – What is Biblical Friendship?

1. What have you learned from this chapter regarding the difference between fellowship and friendship?
2. In what ways can your friendships become Christ-centered? What does that look like practically?
3. As you seek deeper, more biblical friendships, what fears or anxieties do you have?

Chapter 2 – Everyday Substitutes

1. Why do you think that relational substitutes are easy replacements for friendships? How have you seen this in your own friendships?
2. Which of the 3 relational substitutes do you often find yourself falling into?

Chapter 3 –The Marks of Biblical Friendship

1. In which of the four marks of friendship do you see as your greatest strength, and where you need Spirit-empowered growth?
2. Describe a time when a friend has displayed one of these particular marks of friendship. What was the effect on your friendship?

Chapter 4 – The Forging of Biblical Friendship

1. Think through some of your closest spiritual friendships. How did they form? How did they grow?
2. What do you find most difficult in forging new friendships and cultivating existing friendships?
3. Think through where God has placed you. Where are there natural opportunities for you to share life together with a friend?

Chapter 5 – Threats to Biblical Friendship

1. Think through some expectations you have of your friendships. Should any of them be re-evaluated in light of what you have learned so far?

Chapter 6 – The Purpose of Biblical Friendship

1. Three aspects of cultivating unity in friendships are redeeming ordinary moments, practicing informal counseling, and embedded accountability. Where are you the strongest? Weakest?
2. Why is it so important that unity be a key component of biblical friendships?
3. Describe a time in your life when you’ve seen biblical friendship act as a witness to an unbelieving world.

Appendix FAQ’s

Which question did you find most helpful in answering a question you have had?