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# DAILY DEVOTIONAL

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## WEEK 2

IF YOU WANT A FAITH OF YOUR OWN, YOU CAN'T BUILD IT ALONE.

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As iron sharpens  
iron, so a friend  
**SHARPENS**  
a friend.

PROVERBS 27:17

### DAY 1

HEAR // Do you have any friends that just seem to make your life better? You know, the type of people you can't wait to be around because you admire the excitement and energy they have when it comes to their life and their faith? These are the types of friends we should look for. Friends like this help us grow in our faith and stretch us to live life to the full. Today, think about your closest friendships. Which ones are truly making you better and challenging you to pursue what's best in life? Be intentional this week about investing in and appreciating the friends who help your faith grow.



One who has  
**UNRELIABLE**  
friends soon  
comes to  
**RUIN.**

PROVERBS 18:24a

### DAY 2

LIVE // Have you ever considered the impact the people around you have on your life? Maybe you've even heard the old saying, "You are who you hang out with." Well, the reality is, that statement is truer than we tend to think. In fact, what if the people we surround ourselves with actually have the biggest positive and negative impacts on our lives? The author of this verse tells us that bad friends—the ones we can't rely on—can actually ruin us. Today, take time to think about whether or not your friends are leading you in a direction that builds your faith or one that may ruin what you value most.



An open rebuke  
is **BETTER** than  
hidden love!

PROVERBS 27:5

## DAY 3

HEAR // Have you ever heard the phrase, “The truth hurts”? Sometimes that’s not a bad thing. In fact, we all need people in our lives who will tell us the truth we need to hear. This is how we grow. When we have people in our lives who we trust to keep us accountable, ask us hard questions, and tell us the truth even when they know we won’t like it, we’ll find ourselves growing. We’ll grow in our obedience to God and strengthen our relationship with Him. The people in our lives, the ones who love us enough to speak up, help us grow in our faith.



The righteous  
**choose their friends**  
carefully, **but the way**  
of the wicked leads  
them astray.

PROVERBS 12:26

## DAY 4

HEAR // How much time did you spend choosing your friends? Let’s be honest, sometimes in high school it’s easy to just cling to the first person who helps us feel more comfortable on campus. This is totally normal, but what if you could be more intentional? What if you actually took the time to **CHOOSE** your friends? This is what people who are intentionally trying to grow in their walk with God do. They choose to surround themselves with people who are pursuing God right alongside them. Is there a friend you need to start spending more time with—one who will help you grow? Send a text to that person today and see if you can plan a time to hang out.



Let us think of  
ways to **motivate one**  
**another** to acts of love  
and good works.

HEBREWS 10:24

## DAY 5

LIVE // We were never meant to follow Jesus all alone. In fact, this is a big reason we have The Church. The Church is a group of people for us to follow Jesus **WITH**. Together we’re supposed to cheer one another on toward living for Jesus. This is supposed to happen outside of regular church services and small group time, too. So, this week, find ways to cheer on your small group or youth group friends while you’re at school, practicing your sport, or hanging out around town. Imagine how awesome it would be if we all chose to cheer one another on in our faith this week!

