



WINDOWS

looking into your heart and soul
Luke 6:45

SERMON NOTES

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WHO DO YOU IDENTIFY WITH?

1 Corinthians 15:33 (NIV) Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."

Truth: The type of friends you choose to _____ yourself with have a powerful influence on your heart and soul.

The deeper the level of friendship, the higher the _____ they have over you.

FOUR MAIN WAYS FRIENDS IMPACT OUR LIVES:

#1: They can impact critical life _____.

Proverbs 27:9 (NIV) Perfume and incense bring joy to the heart, and the pleasantness of a friend springs from their heartfelt advice.

Proverbs 27:6 (NIV) Wounds from a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses.

#2: They can impact the way others _____ who we are socially.

Proverbs 22:24 (NIV) Do not make friends with a hot-tempered person, do not associate with one easily angered,

#3: They can impact what we think is acceptable _____.

2 Samuel 13:3 (NLT) But Amnon had a very crafty friend, his cousin Jonadab. 4 One day Jonadab said to Amnon, "What's the trouble? Why should the son of a king look so dejected morning after morning?" So Amnon told him, "I am in love with Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister." 5 "Well," Jonadab said, "I'll tell you what to do. Go back to bed and pretend you are ill. When your father comes to see you, ask him to let Tamar come and prepare some food for you. Tell him you'll feel better if she prepares it as you watch and feeds you with her own hands."

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Proverbs 12:26 (NIV) The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray.

#4: They impact our _____ life.

Luke 5:18 (NIV) Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a mat and tried to take him into the house to lay him before Jesus. 19 When they could not find a way to do this because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and lowered him on his mat through the tiles into the middle of the crowd, right in front of Jesus.

Luke 5:20 (NIV) When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven."

Luke 5:24 (NIV) But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralyzed man, "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." 25 Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God.

TWO CRITICAL DECISIONS WHEN IT COMES TO CHOOSING OUR FRIENDS:

Decision #1: Decide to _____ the powerful influence friends have and the identity blanket they give us.

Proverbs 13:20 (NIV) Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.

Decision #2: Decide to be the _____ for Jesus among your friends.

Matthew 5:14 (NIV) "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

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