

Word to the Wise: Friends

Life Steps | October 20 & 21, 2018

Monday

Proverbs 8:13 | 16:17 | 29:23

Define arrogance, pride and humility? What is the visible evidence of someone who is arrogant or prideful and of someone who is humble? Why is serving God important? (Luke 22:24-27) Who most demonstrates humility among your friends? Explain.

Tuesday

Proverbs 12:22 | 15:4 | 24:26
Ephesians 4:25 | Colossians 3:9-14 | I Peter 3:10

Why do you think it is so important to God that we are honest? (John 8:44) Read the above verses again. Why is honesty important to deep friendships? Journal the names of the people you most trust to tell you the truth, in love, and then offer a prayer of thanksgiving for these trusted friends.

Wednesday

Proverbs 6:17 | Romans 1:28-32

Where have you seen the anger of mean spirited people rub off on others, even on you? How would you describe the heart and nature of God? (Luke 22:51) Ask yourself, "Are my daily life practices and behaviors consistent with the heart of God?" Pray as needed.

Thursday

Proverbs 6:18 | 28:6,8 | Psalm 37

Make a list of the ways you see people scheming and scamming others. What does it mean to fret over those who take advantage of others? (Psalm 37:1) What does the Psalmist suggest are our responses to such people in our lives? Pray as you feel led.

Friday

Proverbs 6:19a | 10:18 | 11:13 | 16:28 | 17:4 | Psalm 15

How would you define slander or gossip? Why do you think people like to slander or gossip? Think of experiences where others have been hurt by slander. What were the consequences? Compare your observations with today's readings. What is your personal application from these readings?

Saturday

Proverbs 6:19b | 16:28

Where in the world are you most seeing and experiencing divisiveness? What are the common characteristics of the divisive people you know? Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers." Reflect, are you more of a bomb thrower or a bridge builder? Explain. Memorize Romans 12:18.

Sunday

Proverbs 13:20 | 6:16-19 | I Corinthians 15:33

Which of the things God detests have most "rubbed off" on you? Review your action steps from last week's message. Which step or steps are you going to take? Why? Begin to memorize Proverbs 13:20 and I Corinthians 15:33.

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