

It Is Not Good To Be Alone

Together We Rise – week 3 (Oct. 31)

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness..." - Genesis 1:26

And the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone...." - Genesis 2:18

And the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a companion who will help him..." - Genesis 2:18

That they might be with Him... - Mark 3:14

The Risk

Why is it that so many people today are lacking deep intimate friendships?

Our modern C_____ doesn't promote close friendships.

The U_____ is seldom important and the I_____ is seldom urgent.

We are a F_____ food... people

Developing Friendships is R_____

Because most of us have been B_____ in the past

It is not an enemy who taunts me--I could bear that. It is not my foes who so arrogantly insult me— I could have hidden from them. Instead, it is you--my equal, my companion and close friend. What good fellowship we enjoyed as we walked together to the house of God. - Ps 55: 12-14

The Value

A friend knows who you A_____

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. - Rm 15:7

A friend L_____ you

A friend loves at all times... - Pr 17:17

Greater love has no one than this than that he lay down his life for his friends.
- John 15:13

A friend brings out the B_____ in you

As iron sharpens iron so does one man sharpen another... - Pr 27:17

A friend H_____ you when you are in need

Who carries your mat for you sometimes?
Who do you show your weakness and struggles to?
Who do you ask to pray for you? Who do you let see your brokenness?

A friend E_____ who you can be

1 Samuel 18:1-4

A friend will D_____ you

1 Samuel 19:1-6

A friend loves at all times and a brother is born for adversity - Pr 17:17

A friend knows how to keep a S_____

A perverse man stirs up dissension, and a gossip separates close friends. - Pr 16:28

A friend has the courage to C_____ you with the T_____

Better is open rebuke than hidden love. Wounds of a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses. - Pr 27:5,6

A friend stands by you even when things H_____ U_____

Friends come and friends go, but a true friend sticks by you like family.
- Pr 18:24 (Msg)