



THE FOUNDATION OF FRIENDSHIP - WEEK 1

How to use Talk It Over:

Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. Begin with the key questions, add any optional scriptures and questions if needed, and then wrap up by deciding on your next steps.

Craig's Main Idea:

To be the friend you need to be, you must be present and get open with your friends.

Key Questions:

- How has social media impacted your friendships for better or for worse?
- Do you have the right friends? Do you feel you are getting adequate time with those friends?
- How present are you in your friendships? How transparent are you? If there is one of these things you need to work on, what is it and what are you going to do about it?

Optional Questions: If needed, include one or more of these scriptures and questions to extend your conversation.

- With your Bible or your Bible App, read and discuss Proverbs 13:20, Proverbs 17:17, and Hebrews 10:24-25.
- Craig asked you to list your six closest friends during the message. Of those six friends, which one would you classify as your closest friend? How has their friendship benefited your life?
- What are some of the things that keep you from having truly authentic friendships?
- Craig said, "Show me your friends and I'll show you your future." How have you experienced this truth in your life?
- What weaknesses do you struggle with most? How could your LifeGroup and your friends help you in dealing with these weaknesses?

Next Steps:

- What's one thing you can do this week that will help you be more present or more transparent with your friends?

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Rediscover the lost art of friendship and become the friend you need to be by reading and talking over the following Bible passages this week.

Day 1: Proverbs 13:20

Day 2: Proverbs 17:17

Day 3: Hebrews 10:19-25

Day 4: James 5:13-20

Day 5: John 15:9-17

Day 6: John 13:34-35

Day 7: Proverbs 27:5-6

FRIENDING LIFEGROUP VIDEOS



Join Pastor Craig during *Friending* as he leads LifeGroups through his message with bonus content, discussion questions, and next steps. Craig's *Friending* videos are available each week at <http://go2.lc/friending>. At this website, you can also find additional resources that will help you lead a *Friending* LifeGroup including a discussion guide and a resources guide.