

**Reflection and Discussion Questions**  
**Friendship – Proverbs 17:17**

1. How does our culture make it more difficult to make and keep friends?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. In what ways do the following verses encourage you to grow as a friend; Proverbs 17:17, 27:17 and John 15:12-13?
  - Give an example of how a friend has demonstrated one of these verses to you.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. From the teaching, “Friendships can be something we just do, rather than something we pray about.” What can you begin to pray about regarding your friendships?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Read Proverbs 27:5, 6, and 9. In what ways can our words encourage friends to grow spiritually?
  - What is one way you use your words to encourage spiritual growth in friends?

5. What warnings do Proverbs 12:26 and 22:24-25 give regarding choosing friends?

- Do you have friendships that are drawing you away from the Lord? If so, what would the Lord have you do?

6. How can you take the initiative to be a friend, rather than wait for friendship to happen?

7. What is important to help friendships grow and remain strong?

- List a few ways you invite friends into everyday life (asking them to join you in some of your everyday activities).

8. In what ways are you enjoying a friendship with the Lord? John 15:15

- How do you want to grow in being a friend to the Lord? John 15:14