

# The Gift of True Friendship

Proverbs 27:17 (ESV) Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.

Proverbs 18:24 (ESV) A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

## **An example of true friendship:**

Jonathon & David

Scripture references:

1 Samuel 20, Proverbs 27:9-10

## **1. A friend with transformational influence**

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Scripture: Proverbs 17:17, 20:6, Job 6:14

## **2. A friend with transformational influence**

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Scriptures: Proverbs 27:6, 27:9

## **3. A friend with transformational influence helps you become more like the person**

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Scripture: Proverbs 22:24-25, 13:20, 1 Corinthians 15:33

### **Application:**

What do you do when there is sin, pain, or conflict?

- **Dealing with sin:**

Matthew 18:15-20 & Matthew 18:21-33

- **Dealing with conflict/pain:**

Romans 12:14-21

- **Consider Jesus' example:**

John 15:13, John 13:1