

Friend Step 1 scripture review ...How does each scripture touch your **HEART? HEAD? GUT?** (write 1 of these 3- defining words in the space next to each verse; what is your awareness of yourself as you read God's truth?)

51. [Proverbs 16:28](#)
A perverse person stirs up conflict, and a gossip separates close **friends**.
52. [Proverbs 17:9](#)
Whoever would foster love covers over an offense, but whoever repeats the matter separates close **friends**.
53. [Proverbs 17:17](#)
A **friend** loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity.
54. [Proverbs 18:24](#)
One who has unreliable **friends** soon comes to ruin, but there is a **friend** who sticks closer than a brother.
55. [Proverbs 19:4](#)
Wealth attracts many **friends**, but even the closest **friend** of the poor person deserts them.
56. [Proverbs 19:6](#)
Many curry favor with a ruler, and everyone is the **friend** of one who gives gifts.
57. [Proverbs 19:7](#)
The poor are shunned by all their relatives— how much more do their **friends** avoid them! Though the poor pursue them with pleading, they are nowhere to be found.
58. [Proverbs 22:11](#)
One who loves a pure heart and who speaks with grace will have the king for a **friend**.
59. [Proverbs 22:24](#)
Saying 3 Do not make **friends** with a hot-tempered person, do not associate with one easily angered,
60. [Proverbs 27:6](#)
Wounds from a **friend** can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses.
61. [Proverbs 27:9](#)
Perfume and incense bring joy to the heart, and the pleasantness of a **friend** springs from their heartfelt advice.
62. [Proverbs 27:10](#)
Do not forsake your **friend** or a **friend** of your family, and do not go to your relative's house when disaster strikes you— better a neighbor nearby than a relative far away.
63. [John 15:13](#)
Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's **friends**.
64. [John 15:14](#)
You are my **friends** if you do what I command.
65. [John 15:15](#)
I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you **friends**, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

IMPORTANT: AFTER reviewing, **PRAY** quietly ... then, **share** with your p3 brothers

Friend **Step 2** is to REMEMBER when ... TIME LINE of your LIFE

Remember YOUR friends of lack of friends during these age periods in your life;

Now, write the 1-word or, words that BEST describes this time in your life; **4-TYPES of FRIENDS**

1. NO friends
2. FUN friends
3. GOOD friends
4. HOLY friends

- **Elementary school** _____
- **Middle school** _____
- **High school** _____
- **After High school –or- university years or 20’s** _____
- **During your 30’s** _____
- **During your 40’s** _____
- **During your 50’s** _____
- **During your 60’s** _____
- **Now – TODAY** _____

Friend **Step 3** ...Look back at the list above; WHEN did you discover **JESUS** as your **FRIEND** (see John 15)? Write that into the above time periods of your life. What was going on? How did YOUR LIFE change?

Friend **Step 4** ... STAND-UP ... walk the TIMELINE of your LIFE (Important: you need a facilitator and select 5-men to role play; No Friends, Fun Good Friends, Holy Friends and Jesus.)

1. → SHARE with your SOUL GROUP your insights of our life and “Friends” as you go through the different life stages (above). WHEN did you have the FOUR TYPES of friends in different stages of your life? WHAT is your work TODAY on friendship (with men, women, or with JESUS)?
2. Listen to others as they do their work. WHEN did you discover **JESUS** as your **FRIEND** (see John 15)?
3. How did your “friends” influence WHO you are today? Do work. Gain insights. Pray and ask Jesus how HE desires you to grow today!
4. State your life’s MISSION out loud and close in prayer when you are “complete.”

SONG: “The Proof of Your Love” by For The King & County –and- “Jesus Friend of Sinners” by Casting Crowns