

Your Friends Define You

1 Corinthians 15:33-34

Introduction: Your friends define you. Example of school lunch room:
athletes, popular group, brainiacs, cowboys.

We should be friends to all people, Rom. 12:10, Gal. 6:2

STARTER

Foundation Base This is the family you grew up in

Proverbs 1:8 Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not
forsake your mother's teaching.

Proverbs 22:6, Luke 2:52

Discuss: What are some things you learned from family, what do
you need to unlearn?

SPOUSE

Spouse, Mate,

1 Corinthians 7:16 How do you know whether you will save your
husband?

Discuss: greatest influence on you and your children's spiritual life is
your choice of a spouse.

This is applicable for people already married: what do I do,
how can I improve?

Your spouse will greatly influence you

Ephesians 5:22-23 Love (serve) submit (sacrifice)

STRAINER

Friends to Avoid

Proverbs 13:20 Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but
the companion of fools will suffer harm

Proverbs 18:24, 1 Cor. 15:33, Prov. 22:24-25

Wrong friends: Those who tempt you, those who are negative, those
who drain you, those who make you complacent

SUCCEEDERS

Friends to find Find those that support you, make you better

Encouragers: make you better

1 Thess. 5:11, Pro 27:17

Be with you in hard times

Eccl 4:9-12, Amos 3:3

SEARCHERS

If all friends look like you, vote like you, believe like you, not good

Luke 15:2 This man receives sinners and eats with them.

Reach Out: Have friends that are different, that you can help

Mark 16:15