Sermon Notes

Good Friends

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There may be Q&A at the end as time allows. So note your questions.

13:20 Be best companions with the wise, not fools.

The truly wise are people who are seeking to live skillfully according to God's wisdom. These should be our best companions.

If you choose to be companions with fools, you will suffer harm.

If you choose your closest companions who are truly wise, you will become better.

18:24 A man of *only* acquaintances brings himself toward ruin, but there is a friend who will stick closer than a brother.

You can find a friend who will love you and stick by you.

27:17 You can be made better by a friend if you choose to listen to them.

As iron sharpens iron, so a man sharpens his friend that listens to him.

27:5-6 The correction of a friend can make us better.

We need to choose to want friends who will do this.

We need to choose to listen to them.

When a friend corrects us, we need to view it as them helping us.

Should we be friends with non-Christians? (see also: 2 Cor. 6:14-15, 1 Cor. 9:20-23)

Self assessment:

Do you have Christian friends, like the kind of friends we talked about today?

If you don't, do you want them?

If so, are you putting yourself in position to find them?

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

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