

HOW TO CONNECT WITH PEOPLE

Essentials for Living
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"A sweet friendship refreshes the soul." Proverbs 27:9 (MSG)

1. BE _____ AND TAKE THE INITIATIVE

"For the Holy Spirit, God's gift, does not want you to be afraid of people, but to be wise and strong, and to love them and enjoy being with them."

2 Timothy 1:7 (TLB)

2. BE _____ OF THEIR NEEDS

"Look out for one another's interests, not just your own." Philippians 2:4 (GNT)

"You must make allowance for each other's faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, God forgave you, so you must forgive others."

Colossians 3:13 (NLT)

3. BE _____ WITH YOUR WORDS

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."

Ephesians 4:29 (NIV)

4. BE _____ ABOUT PROBLEMS

"An honest answer is the sign of a true friendship." Proverbs 24:26 (GNT)

"Better is open rebuke than hidden love. Wounds from a friend can be trusted"

Proverbs 27:5-6 (NIV)

5. BE _____ WITH INFORMATION

"A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy man keeps a secret."

Proverbs 11:13 (NIV)

6. BE _____ TO THE RELATIONSHIP

"A friend loves at all times." Proverbs 17:17 (NIV)

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

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