

Friendship

2 types listed in the Bible

friend, friend'-ship: 2 OT words,
: re`eh, indicating a mere associate, passing friend,
neighbor, or companion;
'ahabh, indicating affection.

NT also two words:
hetairos, "a comrade," or "fellow," and
philos, suggesting a more affectionate relation.

We Think Friend vs Acquaintance.
The One that will cry at your funeral,
The other will only take notice of your death & say,
"that's a shame"

Bible talks of True Friends & False Friends

False Friends:

Pharaoh's Butler was a False Friend to Joseph.
(Gen 40:23)

Delilah to Sampson: (Judges 16:1-20)

David was a False Friend to Uriah: (2 Sam 11)

Ahithophel was a False Friend to King David:
(1 Sam 15:12)

Judas was a False Friend to Jesus: (Ps 41:9) *Yea,
mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which
did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against
me.*

(Matt 26:48-49) *Now he that betrayed him gave them
a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is
he: hold him fast. 49 And forthwith he came to Jesus,
and said, Hail, master; and kissed him.*

True Friends: *defined as... (John 15:13) Greater
love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his
life for his friends.*

Now, of the Friends that we have affection for, or
deep feelings for, their are also 2 kinds.

Right Kind & the Wrong Kind

Both affect you, 1 for the better, 1 for the worse.

Wrong Kind:

Amnon: (2 Sam 13:1-*3-) Ruined his life, & the life
of his sister, brother, & his father. **Stupid!**

Rehoboam: (1 Kings 1:6-*7) He listened to his
friends, & he split the kingdom. **Stupid!**

What kind of Friends do you have?_(Prov 13:20)
*He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a
companion of fools shall be destroyed.*

(Prov 28:7) *Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son: but
he that is a companion of riotous men shameth his
father.*

Do they hang around you because of what you have? (Prov 19:6) *Many will entreat the favour of the prince: and every man is a friend to him that giveth gifts.*

Do You disobey your parents, then let them buy you stuff makes you a thief.

(Prov 28:24) *Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, It is no transgression; the same is the companion of a destroyer.*

Friendship with the World makes you the enemy of God. (James 4:4) *Ye adulterers and adulteresses know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.*
(1 Jn 2:15-16)

The Right Kind of Friends Sticks with You through Tick & Thin: (Prov 18:24) *A man that hath friends must show himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.*

(Prov 17:17) *A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.*

Do You have any True Friends?

The Right Kind of Friends: Encourage & challenge you to do right? (2 Tim 2:2)

The Right Kind of Friends: Make you a Better Person: (Prov 27:17) *Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.*

The Right Kind of Friends: care enough to tell you the truth:

(Prov 27:6) *Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.*

OT examples Right Kind of Friend.

The depth of Loyalty of Ruth/Naomi (Ru 1:16-18).

A Loyalty: (2 Cor 7:7) *Fervent Mind*

Jonathan and David:(1Sam 18:1-3)(1Sam23:16-18)

The devotion of Hushai, who is repeatedly referred to as David's friend (2Sa 15:37; 16:16), is a notable illustration of the affection of a subordinate for his superior.

Elijah and Elisha form a unique illustration of semiprofessional affection (2Ki 2:1-25).

NT Examples Right Kind if Friend

(Jn 1:40-42) Andrew brought Peter to Jesus,
(Jn 1:43-46) Philip brings Nathaniel to Jesus.

Jesus is the Greatest Friend of all:

A friend of Sinners: (Luke 7:34) *The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners!*

Jesus is A True Friend: (John 15:13) *Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.*

Jesus Calls His Disciples Friends: (John 15:14-15) *Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. 15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.*

Are you His Friend? (John 15:14) *Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.*

Abraham, b/c of intimacy with God, was called "the friend of God" (2Ch 20:7; Isa 41:8; Jas 2:23).

Moses: *And the LORD spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend.* (Ex 33:11).

Friendship is a Choice we Make: (John 15:16) *Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, Have you chosen to Be A Friend to Jesus?*

What Kind of a friend are you?

**Have you brought your friends to Jesus?
Have you modeled Jesus before them?
When they see you, do they see Jesus?**

Well I don't have any friends, or I don't need any friends. Your not right with God!