

The Friend You've Always Wanted
Lifeline 3/22/2007
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The Bible and Friendships

1 Corinthians 13 says love is the **most excellent** way to live.

Jesus shows us how to **live out** that kind of love.

In fact love is the **only** way to live.

Practical Things you Can Do

Listen. A lot. Without interrupting.

Don't gossip. Ever. To anyone. What goes around, comes around.

Invite your friends to church and youth group.

Forgive others quickly and completely.

Be transparent and consistent. Be an advocate for your friends when you're with them—and when you're not.

Be open to new friendships.

Be loyal.

Avoid put-down humor. It's toxic.

Don't help friends avoid responsibility or consequences.

Be the sort of friend you want to have.

Be loving, always.

Clip cartoons out of the paper that remind you of friends. Stuff the cartoons in their lockers.

Your Application

Pick one or two of the above ideas, or think of your own, and work on them for the next couple weeks. You can either circle the one you need to work on or write it at the bottom. Better yet write it on your clothespin to remind you to hang it up in your life.

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Announcements for Lifeline:

Church softball teams are now starting to form. There is a possibility of a woman's team or at least a co-ed, depending on number of ladies that sign up. Please see Josh Metzger for more information or to sign up. Guys team will be signing up very soon as well. Games start the week of April 16th.

Small groups this Sunday night but then there will not be any small groups on April 1st or April 8th.

Looks like a there will be a CREW outing to Union Terminal to see the Titanic Exhibit April 14th during the day. If you are interested please see myself or Mandy Gambrel and we will work the details out.

Remember if you go the Underground please see me so I can give you some free passes to enter. I have quite a few in my office to the first people who come by and pick them up.

No Lifeline on April 4 due to no Wednesday night activities.

April 5th is Maundy Thursday service in the evening at the church. Service begins at 7pm in the Sanctuary.

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