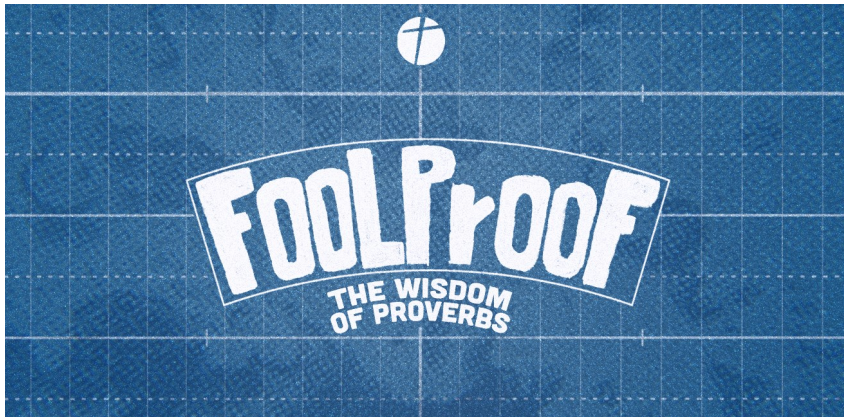


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Rebuilding Friendships

1. Focus on quality not quantity.

Proverbs 17:17 (NIV)

A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity.

Proverbs 18:24 (ESV)

A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

- A faithful friend is more committed to you than to the friendship.

2. Be one before you look for one!

Proverbs 18:24 (NKJV)

A man who has friends must himself be friendly, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

Job 5:2 (NIV)

Resentment kills a fool, and envy slays the simple.

Romans 12:15 (NIV)

Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

Ecclesiastes 4:12 (NIV)

Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

3. Commit to some tough coaching!

Proverbs 27:5-6 (NIV)

Better is open rebuke than hidden love. ⁶ Wounds from a friend can be trusted, but an enemy multiplies kisses.

Rebuilding friends will take an investment of time, trust, truth, and transparency but the result will be transformation.

4. Realize your friends will determine the quality and direction of your life!

Proverbs 13:20 (NIV)

Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.

- Both actions and association bring about consequences in your life.
- We don't make friends as much as our friends make us.

5. Make sure to order your friendship!

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