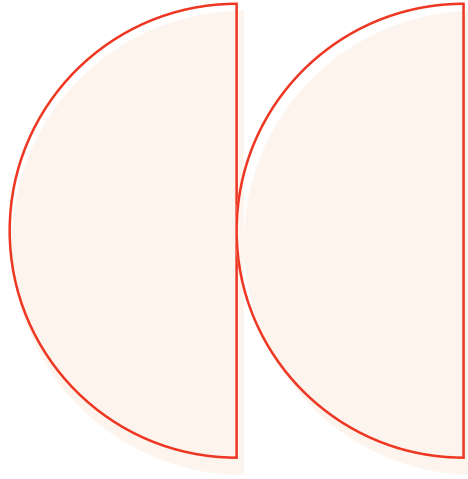


DAY 4

PROVERBS 12:26 NIV

Have you ever found yourself making choices just because your friends were? It's easy to go along with the crowd, but Proverbs 12:26 reminds us that the righteous choose their friends carefully. Who we spend time with shapes who we become. If our friends are wise, kind, and help us make good choices, we're more likely to be the same way. But if we surround ourselves with people who make poor decisions, it can easily lead to making those same poor choices. Remember, the people you choose to hang out with have a powerful influence on your life, so make sure they're leading you toward what's good.

Take time today to pray to God about your friends. Pray for them as individuals and pray about how you can help one another.



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FRIENDSHIP

DAY 5

PROVERBS 17:17

"A friend loves at all times."

To help you memorize this verse, draw a picture to visualize what this verse means. Ask a friend to do it too, then exchange your art and the verse with a friend.

WEEK 2

MIDDLE SCHOOL

DAY 1

PROVERBS 27:17 NLT

Do you have a friend or a mentor who always seems to challenge you to become a better version of yourself? Maybe they pushed you to work harder, make better choices, or even helped you see things from a different perspective. Proverbs 27:17 tells us that just like iron sharpens iron, a friend sharpens a friend. True friendship isn't just about having fun together, it's about helping each other grow and become the best versions of yourselves. It's about encouraging one another to grow in your relationship with Jesus. A real friend encourages you to be the best version of yourself.

Reach out to that friend or mentor today. Thank them for always helping you be the best version of yourself. Ask them how you can show up for them and encourage them.

DAY 2

ECCLESIASTES 4:9 NLT

Have you ever tried to tackle a big project or challenge all by yourself? Sometimes, it feels overwhelming, right? Ecclesiastes 4:9 reminds us that "two people are better off than one" because they can help each other succeed. Life wasn't meant to be lived alone. Whether it's schoolwork, sports, or tough situations, having someone by your side makes everything easier. When we support each other, we grow stronger and achieve more together than we could on our own. Find those people who will lift you up, and be that person for someone else.

Reach out to a friend or classmate today. Find a way to support them in something they're working on, and let them know you've got their back.

DAY 3

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11 NLT

Has anyone encouraged you just at the right time when you felt like you needed it most? Maybe a simple "You've got this" or "I believe in you" helped you get through a tough day. This verse encourages us to do the same for others, build each other up, and encourage one another. We all face challenges, and a little encouragement can go a long way. Just like a spark can light a fire, your words can lift someone's spirits and inspire them to keep going. It's easy to get caught up in negativity, but today, choose to be the one who brings positivity and strength to those around you.

Encourage someone today with a simple, uplifting word. Reach out to a friend or classmate and tell them you believe in them. Watch how your encouragement can make a difference!