

“Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.” {Proverbs 13:20}

Lesson 7 (July 22, 2025)

“Relationships”

- 1. From Proverbs 11:12; 14:21, how are we not supposed to treat our neighbor?**

- 2. How can we be a good neighbor in times of conflict? See Proverbs 3:29; 17:14; 25:9-10, 21-22; Matthew 18:15; Romans 12:17-21.**

- 3. From Proverbs 25:16-17, 20; 26:18-19; 27:14, what other advice does Proverbs give about being a good neighbor?**

- 4. Which teaching(s) from Proverbs on being a good neighbor will you put into practice this week?**

- 5. a. From Proverbs 12:26; 13:20; 22:24-25; 1 Corinthians 15:33, what wise advice is given for choosing friends and what warning is given?**

b. How have friends shaped and influenced you for good or for bad?

- 6. a. What do Proverbs 17:17; 18:24; 27:10 say about a mark of a true friend?**

- b. What does Proverbs say is the hidden motive behind many who claim to be a friend? See Proverbs 14:20; 19:4, 6-7; 20:6.**
- 7. Who in your life is a true friend, no matter the circumstances? And how can you be a better friend to others this week?**
- 8. a. What does Proverbs 27:5-6 say that a true friend is willing to do for you?**
- b. What else does Proverbs 27:9, 17 say that friends do for each other?**
- 9. How many friends do you have who will speak the truth to you in love? How will you cultivate an environment where your friends will feel free to rebuke, advise, and challenge you?**
- 10. From Proverbs 10:1; 17:21; 23:15-16, 22-26, what does Proverbs teach about the relationship between parents and children?**
- 11. What does Proverbs 13:24; 19:18; 22:6; 29:15 teach about disciplining children? And what should be a parent's motive for Godly discipline?**
- 12. What did you learn from your study of Proverbs this week that you will ask God to help you apply to your relationships?**