

WEEK 1

CONVERSATION GUIDE

FINDING FRIENDS

THIS SERIES

You've probably had an experience or two that has taught you the power of a good friendship and the danger of a destructive one. This is never more true than during the teenage years, when teenagers are the most susceptible they'll ever be to the influence of their peers. Teenagers, though, sometimes have difficulty seeing the way their friendships influence them. So, in this 4-week series, we'll be discussing how to **choose our friends wisely**, exploring the **qualities of a healthy friendship**, encouraging students to **build friendships with wise people**, and helping them see **Jesus as their best and truest friend**.

THIS WEEK

THE BIG IDEA

Your friends influence you.

THE BIBLE

I Corinthians 15:33
Proverbs 12:26, 18:24

- **What does your “perfect friend” look like? (Not their looks, but their character.)**
- **Why are those characteristics so important to you?**
- **Who are the five people you spend the most time with?**
- **Do you agree that “you are the average of the five people you spend the most time with?” Why or why not? Give some examples.**
- **What’s one way your friends influence your choices (positively or negatively)?**
- **What’s one way your friends influence your faith (positively or negatively)?**
- **This week, I want to challenge you to try something. Bring it next week:**
 - Find a song that speaks to you about friendship.**
 - Pick a fictional friendship that embodies true friendship.**
 - Create something (art, music, or video) about what friendship means to you.**