

WEEK 3

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

The best friends are wise friends.

THE BIBLE

Proverbs 13:20, 16:24, 16:28, 22:24-25

- **Who is your wisest friend? What makes them so wise?**
- **Let's make a list. Today we talked about five characteristics of a wise friend. Are there any you disagreed with? Are there any you want to add?**
- **Of those characteristics, which do your friends struggle with most?**
- **How do you decide when it's time to leave a friendship with an unwise friend?**
- **What is one good reason someone might have for keeping an unwise friend?**
- **Which characteristic of a wise friend do you struggle with most?**
- **What's one thing you can do this week to be a wiser friend?**
- **What's one thing you can do this week to have, or make, wiser friends?**
- **Let's take a few minutes to pray together about the friends we have, the friends we want, and the friends we want to be.**