10 LESSONS FOR A LIFE OF SIGNIFICANCE

#3 Partner With The Right People

1 Samuel 18:1-4

1. Your _____ is determined by your _____.

The Bible is clear about the limitations of human friendships:

- **Proverbs 20:6**
- **John 2:23-25**

There's only one friend who will be your most faithful friend:

- **Proverbs 18:24**
- **John 15:13-15**

There's great value in human friendships — the right friendships!

- **Ecclesiastes 4:9-12**

David learned the value of human friendship:

1 Samuel 18:1-4 (NIV) After David had finished talking with Saul, Jonathan became one in spirit with David, and he loved him as himself. From that day Saul kept David with him and did not let him return home to his family. And Jonathan made a covenant with David because he loved him as himself. Jonathan took off the robe he was wearing and gave it to David, along with his tunic, and even his sword, his bow and his belt.

1 Samuel 18:4 (Voice) He took off the robe he wore and gave it to David, and also his armor, sword, bow, and belt, symbolically transferring to David his right to ascend the throne.

Partnering with the right people is key to a future of significance:

- **Proverbs 12:26**
- **Proverbs 13:20**
- **Proverbs 17:17**
- **1 Corinthians 15:33**

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2. Friendship is a _____ _____, not a "like" or a label.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 (TPT) Love is large and incredibly patient. Love is gentle and consistently kind to all. It refuses to be jealous when blessing comes to someone else. Love does not brag about one's achievements nor inflate its own importance. Love does not traffic in shame and disrespect, nor selfishly seek its own honor. Love is not easily irritated or quick to take offense. Love joyfully celebrates honesty and finds no delight in what is wrong. Love is a safe place of shelter, for it never stops believing the best for others. Love never takes failure as defeat, for it never gives up. Love never stops loving.

3. To _____ the right friends, you must _____ the right friend.

What are some of the things that destroy friendships?

- Gossip.
- Two-faced actions.
- Lying.
- Flattery.
- Disloyalty, betrayal of trust.
- Self-serving motives.
- Contentiousness.
- Unforgiveness — lack of grace.
- Self-centeredness and selfishness.
- Temperamental.
- Spiritual, emotional and relational immaturity.

2 Samuel 9:1 (NIV) David asked, "Is there anyone still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan's sake?"

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