

Share a time when you experienced loneliness. What were some practical steps you were able to take to combat that? If you are experiencing loneliness now, what steps can you be taking now?

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How does the blessing of a true friendship extend beyond just the individuals involved in that friendship? What are some ways our friendships point others towards the Gospel?

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### 3. APPLY THE TRUTH

How can you continue to prioritize covenantal friendship in a world that often values surface-level relationships? What practical steps can you take to strengthen existing friendships or cultivate new ones?

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## COVENANT FRIENDSHIP

October 22, 2023

1 Samuel 18:1-4, 20:1-4; 30-33; 41-42, 23:15-18

**BIBLICAL \_\_\_\_\_ IS ROOTED IN  
\_\_\_\_\_ LOVE.**

I. The \_\_\_\_\_ of true friendship. – 18:1-4, 20:1-4

*Covenant friendships* \_\_\_\_\_.

II. The \_\_\_\_\_ of true friendship. – 20:30-33

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III. The \_\_\_\_\_ of true friendship. – 20:41-42

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## SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

IV. The \_\_\_\_\_ of true friendship. – 23:15-18

### Blessings of Biblical Friendship:

- 1. Biblical friendships provide \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. Biblical friendships \_\_\_\_\_ to one another.
- 3. Biblical friendships \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4. Biblical friendships \_\_\_\_\_ those in need.

*Covenant friendships* \_\_\_\_\_.

### 1. STUDY THE WORD

Read 1 Samuel 18:1-4, 20:1-4; 30-33; 41-42, 23:15-18. How does covenantal love differ from other types of love and why is it foundational for biblical friendship?

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### 2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

One of the keys to David and Jonathan's strong bond was their commitment to God. What are some ways that mutual commitment to God and each other can impact a friendship? How have you seen that beneficially in your life?

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Share an experience where you faced a trial or challenge and someone stood by you as a true friend. How did this experience impact your relationship? In what ways did this impact your spiritual life?

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 Last Week: \$11,600  
 This Month: \$32,172  
 Last Month: \$43,705  
 Monthly Budget: \$37,673

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