



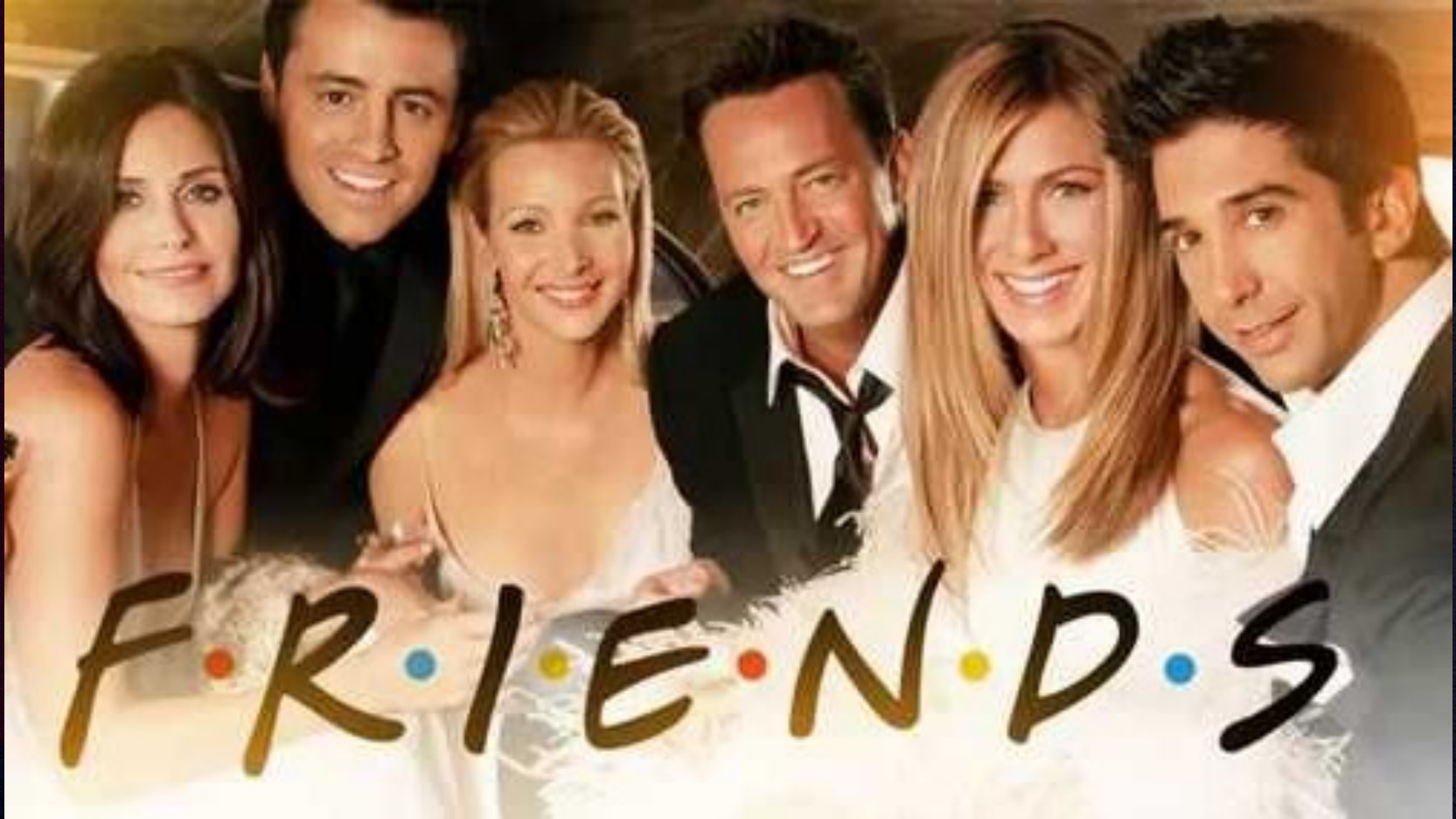
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ORDERING OUR LIVES WITH  
THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

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## Proverbs 25:17 ESV

<sup>17</sup> Let your foot be seldom in your neighbour's house, lest he have his fill of you and hate you.



## Prov 13:20 ESV

<sup>20</sup> He who walks with the wise, grows wise, but a companion of fools suffers harm.



# GOD IS A FRIENDSHIP

GENESIS 1:26 ESV

<sup>26</sup> Let **us** make man in **our** image, after our likeness.





“Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art... It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things that give value to survival.”

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# 1. PRESENCE: A FRIEND IS A PAIN-ENTERER

PROVERBS 17:17 ESV

<sup>17</sup> A friend loves at all times and a brother is born for adversity.

# Friendship Goals...





# 1. PRESENCE: A FRIEND IS A PAIN-ENTERER

PROVERBS 18:24 ESV

<sup>24</sup> A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.



## 2. HONESTY: A FRIEND IS A TRUTH-SPEAKER

PROVERBS 27:5-6 ESV

<sup>5</sup> Better is open rebuke than hidden love. <sup>6</sup> Faithful are the wounds of a friend; profuse are the kisses of an enemy.



## 2. HONESTY: A FRIEND IS A TRUTH-SPEAKER

PROVERBS 27:17 ESV

<sup>17</sup> Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.



“To love at all is to be vulnerable. Love anything and your heart will be wrung and possibly broken. If you want to make sure of keeping it intact you must give it to no one, not even an animal. Wrap it carefully round with hobbies and little luxuries; avoid all entanglements.



Lock it up safe in the casket or coffin of your selfishness. But in that casket, safe, dark, motionless, airless, it will change. It will not be broken; it will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable. To love is to be vulnerable.”

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# JESUS: THE FRIEND OF SINNERS

## JOHN 15:12-13 ESV

<sup>12</sup> “This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.



# FAITHFUL ARE THE WOUNDS OF A FRIEND

1 PETER 2:24 ESV

<sup>24</sup> He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.