

Part 2
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Proverbs 12:26

My **FRIENDS** Determine My **END**

The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray. Proverbs 12:26

1) FOOLISH Friends Don't LISTEN

So don't bother correcting mockers; they will only hate you. But correct the wise, and they will love you. Proverbs 9:8

Solution: CONSEQUENCES

2) EVIL Friends Want to DESTROY

Warn a divisive person once, and then warn them a second time. After that, have nothing to do with them. Titus 3:10

Solution: WARN first, then UNFRIEND

3) WISE Friends Listen and SPEAK TRUTH In Love

Instruct the wise, and they will be even wiser. Teach the righteous, and they will learn even more. Proverbs 9:9

An open rebuke is better than hidden love! Proverbs 27:5a

Solution: Be wise to IDENTIFY WISE friends

4) Three Types of **UNWISE** Friendships:

- COMPLIANT + COMPLIANT
- COMPLIANT + AGGRESSIVE
- COMPLIANT + NONRESPONSIVE

Sensible people will see trouble coming and avoid it, but an unthinking person will walk right into it and regret it later. Proverbs 27:12 GNT

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