

“A sweet friendship refreshes the soul.”  
**Proverbs 27:9b MSG**

## 5 Ways To Connect With People

### 1. Be courageous and take initiative.

“For the Holy Spirit, God’s gift, does not want you to be afraid of people, but to be wise and strong, and to love them and enjoy being with them.”  
**2 Timothy 1:7 TLB**

### 2. Be considerate of their needs.

“Look out for one another’s interests, not just your own.”  
**Philippians 2:4 GNT**

“Make allowance for each other’s faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, God forgave you, so you must forgive others.”  
**Colossians 3:13 NLT**

### 3. Be constructive with your words.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.  
**Ephesians 4:29 NIV**

### 4. Be confidential with information.

“A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy man keeps a secret.”  
**Proverbs 11:13 NIV**

A twisted person spreads rumors; a whispering gossip ruins good friendships.  
**Proverbs 16:28 TPT**

### 5. Be committed to the relationship.

“A friend loves at all times.”  
**Proverbs 17:17a NIV**

“A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.”  
**Proverbs 18:24 NIV**

An honest answer is a sign of true friendship.  
**Proverbs 24:26 GNT**

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#### Weekend Music:

Raise A Hallelujah (Bethel Music) • How He Loves (Passion)  
Gratitude (Brandon Lake)