

**“Be Courageous and Build Your Friendships”  
(Courageous: The Life of David; Lesson #4)**

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## **Friendship (is)....**

**F**ounded on common interests and mutual respect. (18:1)  
“Now after David had finished talking...”

**R**equires both chemistry and initiative. (18:1)  
“The soul of Jonathan became one in spirit with David.”

**I**ncreases our capacity to love. (18:1, 3)  
“He loved him as himself...”

**E**xpressed in both words and actions. (18:3, 4)  
“Jonathan made a covenant...and gave to David...”

**N**ever give up, even in times of trouble. (20:1-4)  
“Whatever you want me to do, I’ll do for you.”

**D**isagree without becoming disagreeable. (20:5-11)  
“Never! Jonathan said...”

**S**tand up, speak up, and take risks for friends. (20:12-32)  
“Jonathan asked his father, ‘Why should he be put to death?’ ”

**H**elp through times of sadness and grief. (20:34-41)  
“Jonathan was grieved...”

**I**nclude God in the friendship. (20:42)  
“We have sworn friendship in the name of God.”  
“Jonathan...helped David find strength in God.” (23:17)

**P**roduce a harvest of peace and generational blessings. (20:42)  
“Go in peace...The Lord is witness between you and me and between your descendants and my descendants forever.”