

What Does the Bible Say?

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Are My Friends A Blessing?

A strong warning is given in 1 Corinthians 15:33, "Do not be deceived: 'Evil company corrupts good habits.'" Those with whom we surround ourselves will impact the kind of people we are. Some friends are a blessing, others can be a curse. Who should I choose as a friend? What does the Bible say?

Psalm 1:1 says a blessed man will make some choices:

- **"Walks not in the counsel of the ungodly,"** When our advisors are those who do not respect God, we set a course for disaster.
- **"Nor stands in the path of sinners,"** People who transgress the commands of God, will encourage you to be like them.
- **"Nor sits in the seat of the scornful."** Those who are cruel and oppressive to others, will influence us to take on those same ways.

There is a very deceptive nature of peer pressure. We don't always see the influence that others have on us. Notice in the passage above that first we **walk**, then **stand**, then **sit** down with those who are evil. We can become comfortable with things that should shock us.

Choose your companions carefully. Real friends help you to please God. We would love to be your true friend and teach you God's way.

Have a Bible question or comment?

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