

For the week of March 15, 2015
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Friendship in Faith

4th week in the series 'Between the Times.'

1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:13

Friendships are one of the most important parts of life but can be difficult to develop and maintain. So many other priorities can overshadow the value and importance of deep friendship. In this passage from 1 Thessalonians, Paul's close friendship with the people of that city is evident. Through his words, we learn a lot about the value, the purpose, and the meaning of friendship. Seeing his example can encourage us in our own efforts to be a good friend.

Discussion Questions:

1. What achievements do you sometimes value above friendship?
2. When has a friend helped you make sense of pain in your life?
3. What is one of the best times you've had with a friend or a group of friends?
4. What have you learned about loving from the friends that you've had?

5. How do your friendships help you to know God in a deeper way?