

better together _____

Take a moment to begin your group with the following conversation starters.

- Who is your longest standing friend, and how did you first meet?
- What about this friend has kept you in touch over the years?

in process _____

- Share one encouraging thing you experienced this week.

always learning _____

Read Proverbs 27:1-10 aloud together. Then, take a moment to pray before your discussion time.

- What stands out to you the most about this passage?
- What do we learn about God's design for friendship here?
- Share something you look for when choosing a friend.
- What is your takeaway from verse 6?

practice _____

- Are you someone who finds friendships easy or hard? Do you find it is hard work to maintain friendships?
- We often talk about considering carefully how to manage our resources, what career to choose, and what is the best path to make decisions. Do you think we spend the same amount of time and energy on friendships? Why or why not?
- Is there anyone in your life you should spend more time with when it comes to friendship? Someone who can encourage you and help you grow in your faith?
- Proverbs is full of practical wisdom. How would you respond to someone who isn't following Jesus who says that the Bible is "an outdated book with little real life relevance?"
- If there was one way our group could pray for you when it comes to friendships, what would it be?

closing and prayer _____

Leaders, please close your group with a time of prayer. Please pray for the following...

-the healthy and unity of our congregation of Church at the Crossing

-the safe return of ministry activities on campus while adhering to CDC guidelines

-to continue in our vision as a church to Go. Love. One More.

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