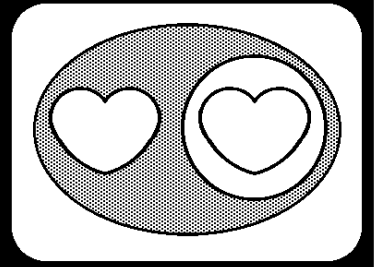


Being a True Friend!



PAUL WROTE: "THEREFORE LET US PURSUE THE THINGS WHICH MAKE FOR PEACE AND THE THINGS BY WHICH ONE MAY EDIFY (BUILD UP) ANOTHER" (ROMANS 14:19 NKJV). THIS MEANS THAT WE SHOULD STRIVE TO BE PEACEFUL AND DO THE THINGS THAT WILL ENCOURAGE PEOPLE, UPLIFT THEM, MAKE THEM HAPPY, ETC.

GOD WANTS US TO FOLLOW HIS GOLDEN RULE OF TREATING PEOPLE AS YOU YOURSELF LIKE TO BE TREATED (LUKE 6:31), AND TO NOT HURT EACH OTHER. NOT ONLY THAT, BUT HE WANTS US TO SHOW "BROTHERLY LOVE" TO ONE ANOTHER: "FINALLY, ALL OF YOU BE OF ONE MIND, HAVING COMPASSION FOR ONE ANOTHER; LOVE AS BROTHERS, BE TENDERHEARTED, BE COURTEOUS" (1 PETER 3:8 NKJV).

BEING A TRUE FRIEND SOMETIMES GOES BEYOND JUST BEING NICE TO "HANG OUT WITH." BEING A TRUE FRIEND IS A BIG RESPONSIBILITY, BECAUSE THERE ARE TIMES WHEN FRIENDSHIP REQUIRES US TO GO BEYOND JUST HAVING FUN.

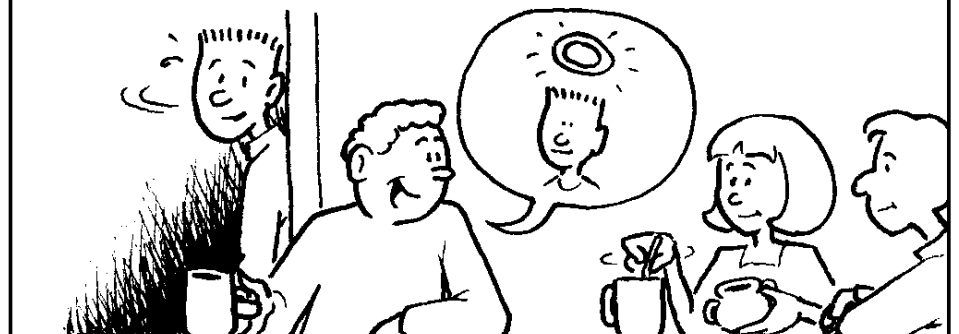


BEING A TRUE FRIEND CAN MEAN...

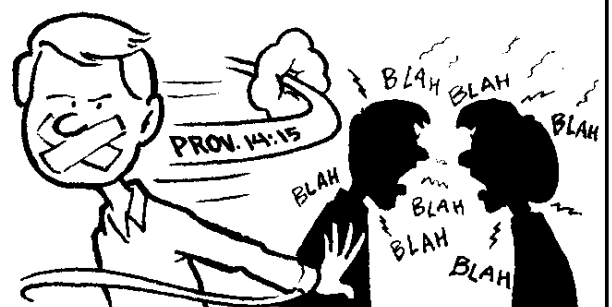
...BEING SUPPORTIVE.



...ALWAYS HAVING A GOOD WORD TO SAY BEHIND YOUR FRIEND'S BACK.



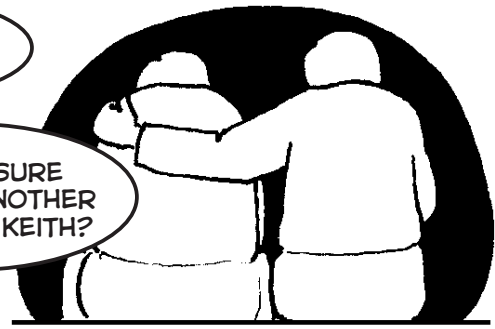
...NOT GOSSIPING ABOUT YOUR FRIEND, OR IN ANY WAY HINDERING THEIR FRIENDSHIPS WITH OTHERS THROUGH SPREADING UNTRUTHS, OR EVEN FACTS THAT ARE NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS TO KNOW OR REPEAT.



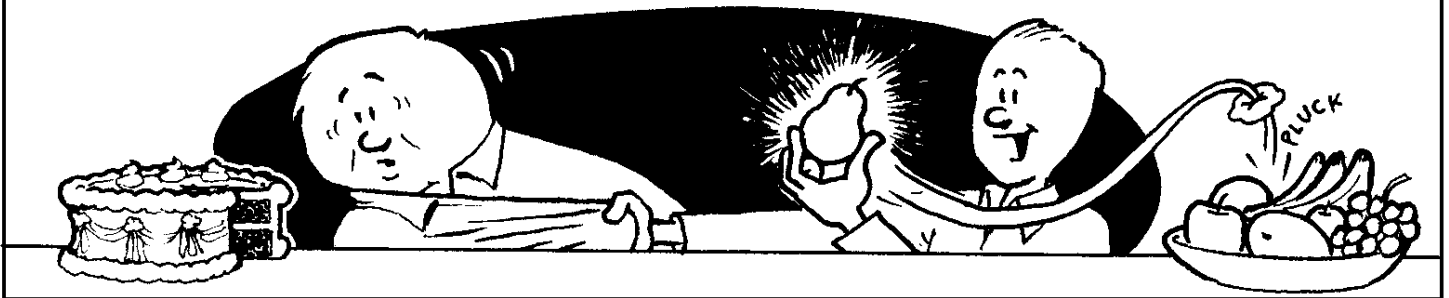
...HELPING YOUR FRIEND MAKE GOOD DECISIONS.



...SHOWING COMPASSION WHEN YOUR FRIEND NEEDS IT.



...BEING THERE FOR YOUR FRIEND.

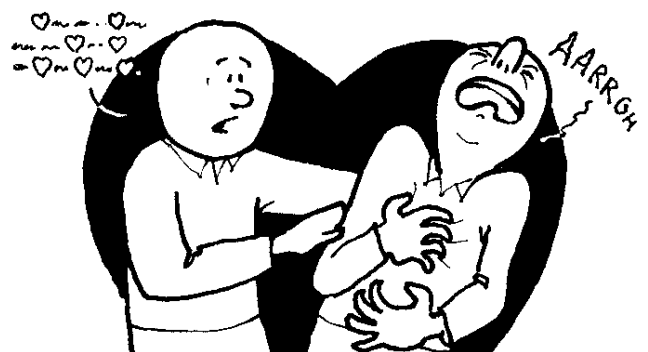


...DOING NO HARM TO THEM.

...HELPING YOUR FRIEND STAND STRONG AGAINST COMPROMISE AND TEMPTATION.



...WANTING THE BEST FOR YOUR FRIEND.



...SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE, EVEN IF YOU KNOW IT WILL HURT.

S&S link: Character Building: Social Skills: Friendship-2b

Based on the writings of TFI. Illustrations by Anthony Mizrany. Design by Stefan Merour.

Published by My Wonder Studio. Copyright © 2016 by The Family International