# **Living Truth - Friendship**

# The pattern of friendship

# Friendship in London in 2022

A High need for friendship

- The breakdown of family relationships
- The fragmentation of society
- Covid 19

A low view of friendship

- Other higher priorities
- An inflated view of romance

How would you describe how you feel about friendship? Positive? Negative? Something between?

#### Friendship with God

Isaiah 41:8/James 2:23; Exodus 33:11; Psalm 25:14; Matthew 11:19; John 15:12-15

His perfect friendship

...re-orders our approach to friendship

- Too high expectations
- Too low expectations

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There's lots of different types of friendship

...but they all have two things in common:

1) A common passion: John 15:15

2) A commitment to serving each other: John 15:12-14

# Taking the truth deeper

How do you want to rethink your approach to friendship? Where are your expectations out of line with God's?

What practical steps could you take to correcting that? What do you see in the example of Jesus that could help you?