

Big Faith

#2: Providential Relationships: How God Uses People To Build Our Faith

1. Understand how _____

Proverbs 13:20 *Walk with the wise and become wise, for a companion of fools suffers harm.*

Truth #1: I need _____ in my life

Truth #2: I need _____ in my life

2 Chronicles 24:17-18 *But after Jehoiada's death, the leaders of Judah came and bowed before King Joash and persuaded him to listen to their advice. They decided to abandon the Temple of the LORD, the God of their ancestors, and they worshiped Asherah poles and idols instead! Because of this sin, divine anger fell on Judah and Jerusalem.*

2. Intentionally add _____ to your life

a) _____

1 Samuel 23:16 *Jonathan went to find David and encouraged him to stay strong in his faith in God.*

b) _____

Proverbs 12:6 *Bad advice is a deadly trap, but good advice is like a shield.*

c) _____

Proverbs 27:5-6 *An open rebuke is better than hidden love! Wounds from a sincere friend are better than many kisses from an enemy.*

d) _____

Read 2 Chronicles 24

3. _____

Hebrews 10:25 *And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another...*

*Start serving

*Join a life group

*Open up to someone

When you have to spend time with a negative influence

*Be kind

*Limit your time

*Limit your sharing

*Have realistic expectations

"No source of influence is more powerful and accessible than the persuasive power of the people who make up our social networks. None. The ridicule, and praise, acceptance and rejection, approval and disapproval of our fellow beings can do more to assist or destroy our change efforts than almost any other source." Joseph Grenny

Proverbs 12:26 *The godly give good advice to their friends; the wicked lead them astray.*

Psalm 1:1 *Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers...*

2 Corinthians 7:6 *But God, who encourages those who are discouraged, encouraged us by the arrival of Titus.*

2 Chronicles 22: 4 *They even became his advisor after the death of his father, and they led him to ruin.*