

"SPIRITUAL FRIENDSHIP" ACTS 20:17-38

- 1. Do you believe that you have been made for spiritual friendship? What does Genesis 1:26-27 and Genesis 2:18; 21-25 teach about relationships?**
- 2. What are the implications for a person who has been made in the image of God?**
- 3. Do you agree being lonely is healthy and shows you are made for spiritual friendship?**
- 4. It is becoming popular in circles today to advocate "dethroning" marriage in society and in the church. Critics say in the church marriage is an "idol." How do you respond to that? Is that a Biblical concept as you consider how society and the Church is built? What is the basic building block of society and the Church?**
- 5. Can you say, "I need friendship?" Have you experienced a common bond with other Christians because of Jesus Christ?**
- 6. One point of the sermon was that spiritual relationships must be based on God's Word. Paul didn't shrink from teaching the whole counsel of God and the necessity of faith and repentance. As you reflect on your relationships, are you seeking to be faithful to God in those relationships? Is your part in those friendships done to God's glory?**
- 7. In your marriage is your spouse your best friend? How can you foster your companionship in your marriage? What have you learned in marriage about friendship to pass along to a younger couple?**
- 8. Jesus said, "You are my friends." Are you open to Him being THE Friend in your life?**
- 9. Spiritual friendship takes work. Are you willing to put forth the effort to be a good friend?**