

Build Friendships

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_____ **make a bigger difference.**

After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector by the name of Levi sitting at his tax booth. “Follow me,” Jesus said to him, and Levi got up, left everything and followed him.

Luke 5:27–28 (NIV)

How to Be a Good Friend (Like Jesus):

1. _____ **them** _____ .

“Going” is often as simple as _____ .

Then Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house, and a large crowd of tax collectors and others were eating with them.

Luke 5:29 (NIV)

2. _____ **them for** _____ .

If I focus on _____ I will _____ .

But the Pharisees and teachers of the law who belonged to their sect complained to his disciples, “Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?”

Luke 5:30 (NIV)

Jesus answered them, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.”

Luke 5:31–32 (NIV)

3. _____ **them for** _____ .

“For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon.’ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.’ But wisdom is proved right by her deeds.”

Matthew 11:18–19 (NIV)

4. _____ **with them.**

Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.

1 Thessalonians 2:8 (NIV)

Goal: Make my home a hospitable hub of friendship.



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