

The Missing Factors of Genuine Friendship
Friendship is Authentic: David and Jonathan
1 Samuel 18-20 (page 200)

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Friendship involves c o m m o n passion (1 Sam 18:1)

- Sharing a common p a s s i o n will overshadow other d i f f e r e n c e s in friendship

Friendship takes t i m e (1 Sam 18:2)

- If you want to h a v e a friend, take the t i m e to b e a friend.

Friendship involves v u l n e r a b i l i t y

(1 Sam 18:3-4; 20:4)

- Having friends means taking the r i s k of self e x p o s u r e

Friendship means L o y a l t y (1 Sam 19:1-7; 20:26-32)

- Real friendship means being c o m m i t t e d to “h a n g i n t h e r e”

Friendship includes i n t i m a c y (1 Sam 20:17, 41-42)

- An a u t h e n t i c friendship cannot occur without i n t i m a c y.

Think about it...

Name 3-5 of your closest friends...now, take a moment to measure your friendship with them against the points we looked at in the friendship of Jonathan and David.

What area, or areas, can use some more *attention* from you, not just to *maintain*, but *enhance* those friendships?

What can you do to become more of a friend like Jonathan?