



Title | Connecting Wisely
Series | Enhancing Your
Emotional Intelligence
Text | Proverbs 18:1, 24
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Sermon Notes

Proverbs 18:1

Whoever isolates himself
seeks his own desire;
he breaks out against all
sound judgment.

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but there is a friend who
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Big Idea:

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For Reflection & Application:

Monday:

Read Proverbs 18:1. Do you have a tendency to isolate yourself from other people? If so, why? Do you think it may stem from some selfishness on your part? Do you think it may stem from believing that you don't need others? Do you sense that something needs to change? Why?

Tuesday:

Reread Proverbs 18:1 and then read Hebrews 10:24-25. Based on these scriptures, why is it a good idea to proactively pursue community, particularly in the church?

Wednesday:

Read Proverbs 18:24. How is the person described here different than the person described in Proverbs 18:1? By nature, which person do you resemble more, the one who isolates himself or the one who has many companions?

Thursday:

Reread Proverbs 18:24. What's the danger about which Solomon warns us? Are you in such danger? What steps can you take to cultivate "sticky" friendships? What can you do to be a true friend "who sticks closer than a brother"?

Friday:

Considering the wisdom of Proverbs 18:1 & 24, how can you apply it to your life this week?

Daily Prayer:

Thank you, Lord, for the wisdom you give me in your word. Help me to pursue healthy relationships proactively and selectively, knowing that I have both something to give and something to gain. Amen.