

STUDY GUIDE

Week 3 – How Not to Wreck Your Life

Show Me Your Crew, I'll Show You Your Future

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PROVERBS 13:20

SMALL GROUP GOAL

To explore how wisdom helps you choose community that builds you not breaks you.

READ

“Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm.”

Proverbs 13:20 (ESV)

“Make no friendship with a man given to anger, nor go with a wrathful man, lest you learn his ways and entangle yourself in a snare.”

Proverbs 22:24–25 (ESV)

Summary: “The father’s warning not to join in with the crowd leading to destruction.”

Proverbs 1:10–19 (ESV)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

THE TEXT:

1. What stood out to you most in this week’s message and passage?
2. According to Proverbs 13:20 (ESV), what’s the difference between “walking with the wise” and “companionship with fools”?
3. How does Proverbs 22:24–25 (ESV) warn us about emotional influence and behavior transfer?
4. What stands out to you most in Proverbs 1:10–19 (ESV)? Which phrase or image lingers?

MEDITATION:

5. Can you think of a time when a friend’s influence pulled you in a direction you later regretted?
6. Have you ever been the person who influenced someone else in a way you’re not proud of?
7. What makes it hard to walk away from relationships that are pulling you away from your values?

DIAGNOSE:

8. Who are your five closest non-family relationships right now? What kind of influence do they have on your thinking, speech, habits, or priorities?
9. Based on Proverbs, would you say your current inner circle is sharpening you—or dulling you?

APPLICATION:

10. What one relationship do you need to re-evaluate right now?
11. Who in your life could be a godly “iron sharpens iron” friend and how can you intentionally deepen that friendship this month?

PRAYER

- Pray for courage to walk away from unwise relationships.
- Pray for God to bring wise, truth-speaking, spiritually encouraging people into each group member’s life.
- Ask the Lord to help your group become the kind of community that builds each other in love and truth.

CHALLENGE

Sometime this week, reach out to someone who sharpens you and thank them. If needed, set one healthy boundary with someone whose influence is pulling you off course.

