

A Word to live by...

Godly friendships are a gift. We need Yeshua's help to stay loving toward one another. But, did you know that being a good friend takes being BRAVE, too?

You need to be brave enough to talk to that person even if you're having hard feelings.

You need to be brave enough to believe the best about them while you're waiting for a chance to talk face to face.

You need to be brave enough to go to your parents for help.

You need to be brave enough to trust that God will help you put your friendship back together even when you feel sad.

What extra-special friendships do you know about in your Bible stories?

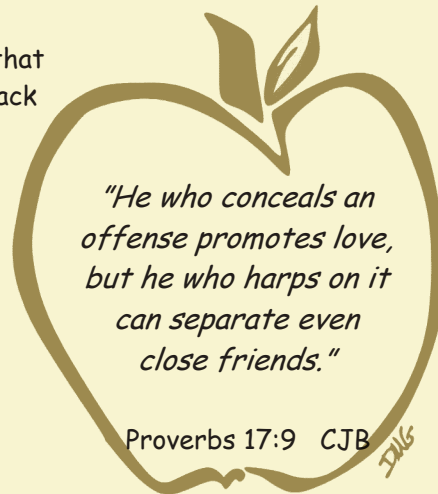
Be ready with a Word...

So, next time someone says:

"I don't know why you're so mad, I was only trying to help!"

Be ready:

"Our friendship is important to me, so let's pray and work it out, ok?"



Parshat Behar- "On Mount Sinai"

Be Brave To Save A Friendship

A Word from the Torah...

This week's parsha talks about how to live in community, buying and selling property, farming the land and enjoying the fruits of labor. Everyone has the same needs for clothing, food and shelter.

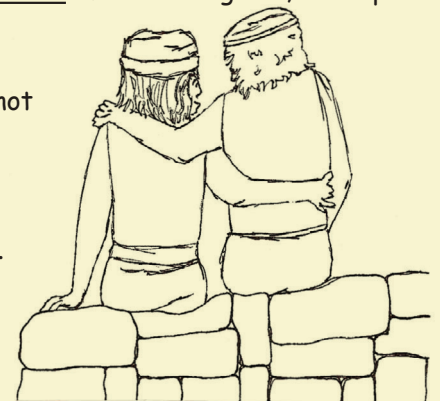
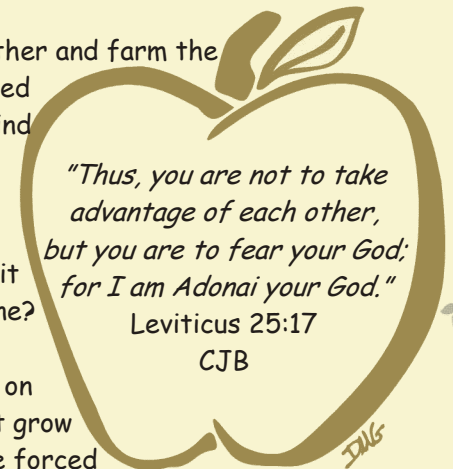
As the Israelites learn to live together and farm the Land, God shows that He is concerned that they obey His laws, by being kind and fair to one another.

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What does that mean? What does it mean to "take advantage" of someone?

Well, sometimes, when a family fell on hard times, like if their crops didn't grow or their milking cow died, they were forced to get help from others.

God wants us to be fair to people in need, not use their suffering to make our lives better and theirs even worse! Sometimes, when people are in trouble, it's our job, as fellow citizens of God's Kingdom, to help them.

And, friends have to be careful about not hurting each other, especially when one of them is going through a hard time. Hard times can make it difficult to share your feelings and ask for help. And, sometimes, helping doesn't work the way you think it will!



Have you ever tried to help a friend and they didn't want your help? Did you even get upset because a friend didn't treat you the way you thought they should? Do you get angry with your friends, sometimes, too?

A Word from Yeshua...

In Mattiyahu 18, Yeshua talks about how we should behave towards people who are hurting us.

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Do you do that? Did you know that most times that's exactly NOT what people do? Often, when kids are upset with each other, they tell another friend instead of talking to the person that hurt them. Yeshua says that is a mistake.

Now, if you want to get some help from your mom and dad by praying first, that's a great idea!

But, just complaining to another friend is the wrong thing to do. That is called gossip. Gossip separates friends. Don't do it!

Read the rest of Mathew 18 and talk about it with your teacher and your parents. They will help you with it.

Learning how to talk calmly with someone who hurt you is an important part of keeping friendships healthy and strong in the Lord. We thank God for good friends!



"Moreover, if your brother commits a sin against you, go and show him his fault - but privately, just between the two of you."

Mattiyahu 18:15 CJB

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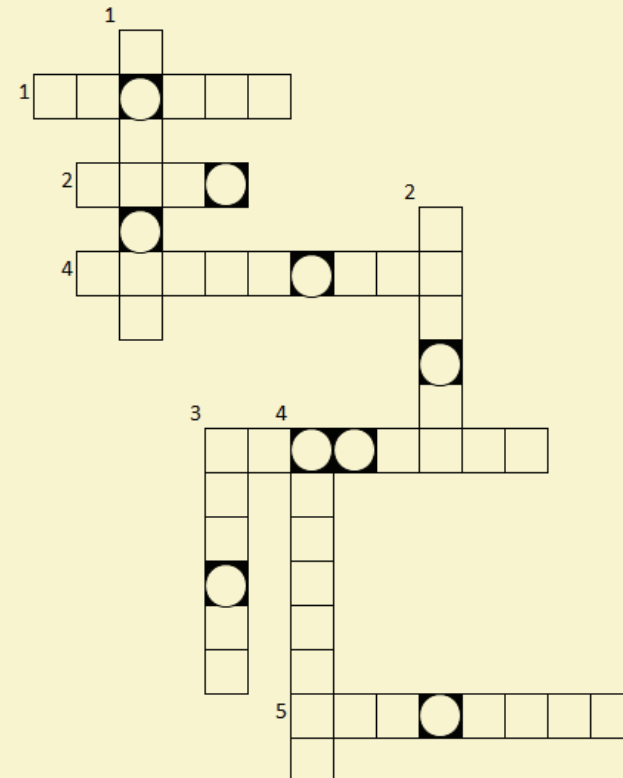
1. Using the underlined words, answer the clues
2. Unscramble the circled letters to find the mystery word
3. Show it to your teacher and get a reward

Down:

1. by the _____
2. _____ towards people
3. talk _____ with
4. _____ even when

Across:

1. that _____ even
2. God will _____
3. as fellow _____
4. "take _____" of
5. and _____ fruits of



Friendships are _____!

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