

Loving Relationships



Read the statements below, and then circle either the comment in column A or B that is the most true about you right now.

When I think about my relationships with my friends . . .

♥ A ♥	♥ B ♥
I take time to listen to my friends.	I get annoyed when my friends come to me with problems.
I protect my friends and their reputations.	I gossip about friends when I'm mad at them.
I keep my commitments, no matter what.	I keep my commitments only when I feel like it.
TOTAL:	TOTAL:

When I think about how I view the opposite gender . . .

♥ A ♥	♥ B ♥
I speak respectfully about them.	I love telling dirty jokes about them.
I see them as my brothers/sisters.	I see them as objects.
I encourage them.	I point out all their faults.
TOTAL:	TOTAL:

When I think about dating someone . . .

♥ A ♥	♥ B ♥
I speak highly of that person in private.	I say anything about that person that will get other people to think I'm cool.
I focus on getting to know that person.	I focus on getting to kiss that person.
I am a good listener and understand that person.	I'm in a relationship to get—not give.
TOTAL:	TOTAL:

Make sure you have totaled all the items you circled in columns A and B. Now write down . . .

The total number of **A** answers you circled: _____

The total number of **B** answers you circled: _____

If you circled more answers in the A column, you are on the right track. You are showing a loving attitude. Just make sure that you are showing the same loving attitude and respect for both guys and girls!

If you circled more answers in the B column, you need to read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 again. Right now you are not acting in a loving way toward others! So take time to ask God for help in both your friendships and dating relationships. You can also go to a Christian adult that you respect for advice on how to change.