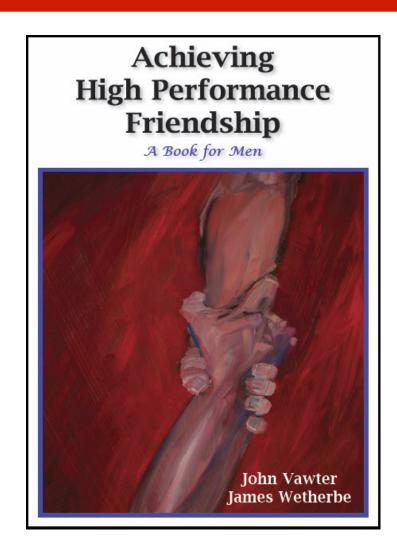


Achieving High Performance Brotherhood Through High Performance Friendship

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Presentation Source





Litmus Test

- Selfless Acts
- Innermost Thoughts
- > Trust with What is Held Dear
- Support and Forgiveness for Failures
- Reciprocal Constructive Criticism
- Celebrate Success without Envy
- Sustainable In Spite of Distance or Time
- No Disparaging Remarks



Consider These

Few friendships would survive if each knew what his friend says of him behind his back.

~ Blaise Pascal

If it very painful for you to criticize your friends – you are safe doing it. But if you take the slightest pleasure in it, that's the time to hold your tongue.

~ Alice Duer Miller



Choose Friends Wisely

A true friend is the most precious of all possessions and the one we take the least thought about acquiring.

~ François de La Rochefouçauld



Humility and Honesty

Humility is the solid foundation of all the virtues.

~ Confucius

Honesty is the first chapter in the book of wisdom.

~ Thomas Jefferson



Respect

Consult your friend on all things, especially on those which respect yourself. His counsel may then be useful where your own self-love might impair your judgment.

~ Seneca



Intimacy

A friend is one before whom I may think aloud.

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson



Support

It's the friends you can call up at 4:00 a.m. that matter.

~ Marlene Dietrich

A good friend is one who knows you as you are, understands where you have been, accepts who you have become and still gently invites you to grow.

~ William Shakespeare



Trust and Teach

There can be no friendship without confidence, and no confidence without integrity.

~ Samuel Johnson



Love and Loyalty

All love that has not friendship for its base is like a mansion built upon the sand.

~ Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend.

Loyalty – in the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.

~ Martin Luther King, Jr.



Independence and Inner Compass

If one is estranged from oneself, then one is estranged from others too. If one is out of touch with oneself, then one cannot touch others.

~ Anne Morrow Lindbergh

Friendship with oneself is all important because without it one cannot be friends with anybody else in the world.

~ Eleanor Roosevelt



Kindness

What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for each other?

~ George Eliot

It is easier to forgive an enemy than to forgive a friend.

~ William Blake



Encouragement and Eternal Values

The glory of friendship is not the outstretched hand, not the kindly smile, nor the joy of companionship; it is the spiritual inspiration that comes to one when you discover that someone else believes in you and is willing to trust you with a friendship. (adapted)

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

When a friend is in trouble, don't annoy him be asking if there is anything you can do. Think up something appropriate and do it.

~ Edgar Watson Howe



Brotherhood Culture is Built from Brotherhood Stories

Culture building exercise ...