



Friends...

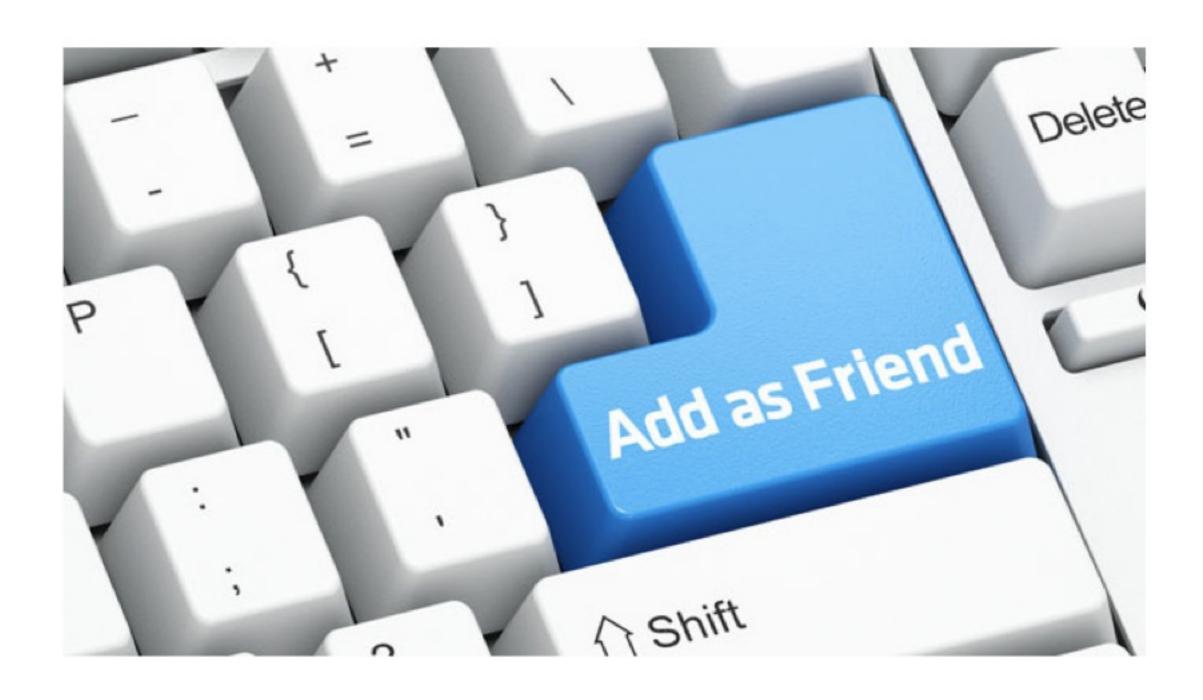
I can't promise to fix...

all your problems

but i can promise...

you won't face them all alone...

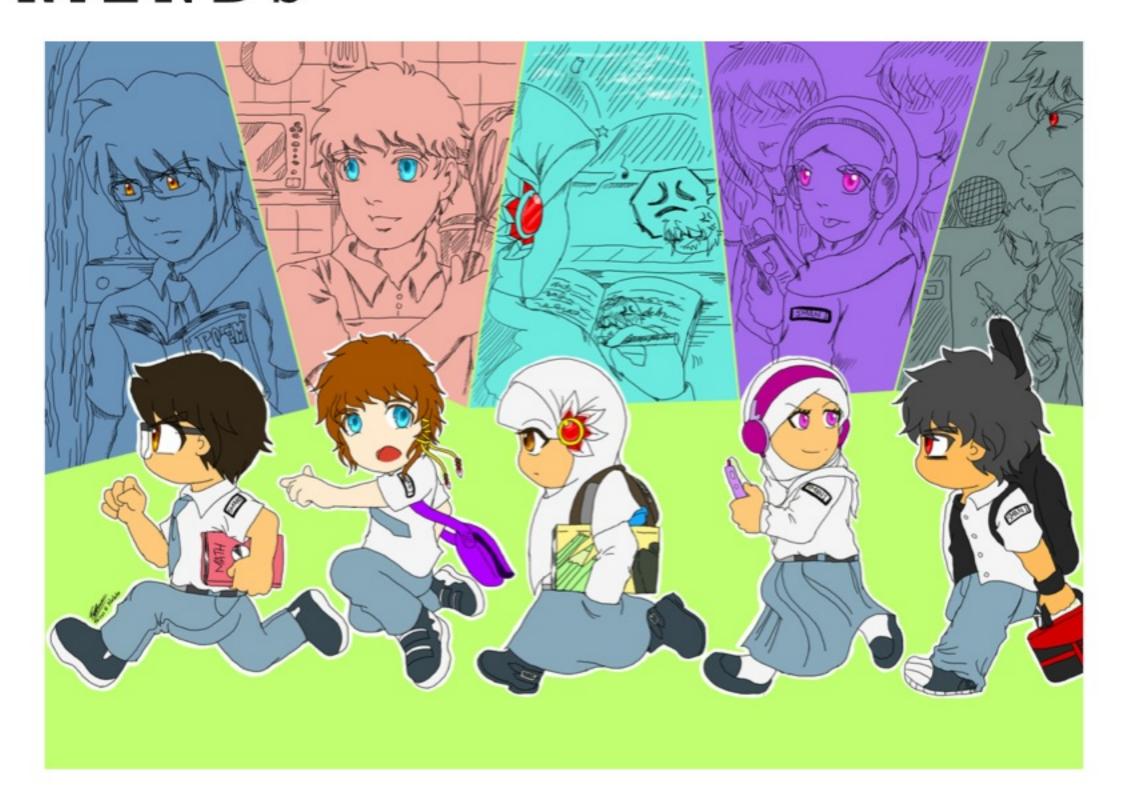














عقبة بن أبي معيط و أبي بن خلف أبي بن خلف

'Uqbah ibn abi Mu'eet & Ubayy ibn Khalaf



وَيَوْمَ يَعَضُّ ٱلظَّالِمُ عَلَى يَدَيْهِ يَكَفُولُ يَلَيْتَنِي ٱتَّخَذَتُ مَعَ ٱلرَّسُولِ سَبِيلًا اللَّ

The Day that the wrong-doer will bite at his hands, he will say, "Oh! Would that I had taken a straight path with the Messenger."

"Ah! Woe is me! Would that I had never taken such a one for a friend!

"He led me astray from the Message of Allah after it had come to me! And indeed Shaytan is but a disgracer/betrayer to man." (Qur'an - 25:27-29)



المرء على دين خليله فلينظر أحدكم من يخالل

A person is upon the religion of his close friend, so beware whom you befriend.

(Tirmidhi)



نَّمَا مَثَلُ الْجَلِيسِ الصَّالِحِ وَالْجَلِيسِ السَّوْءِ كَحَامِلِ الْسُكِ وَنَافِحِ الْكِيرِ فَحَامِلُ الْسُكِ إِمَّا أَنْ يُحْذِيكَ وَإِمَّا أَنْ تَبْتَاعَ مِنْهُ وَإِمَّا أَنْ تَجِدَ مِنْهُ رِيحًا طَيِّبَةً وَنَافِحُ الْكِيرِ إِمَّا أَنْ يُحْرِقَ ثِيَابَكَ وَإِمَّا أَنْ تَجِدَ رِيحًا خَبِيثَةً

"The parable of a good friend and a bad friend is that of a carrier of musk and a blacksmith. The carrier of musk will give you some, or you will buy some, or you will notice a good smell; but as for the blacksmith, he will burn your clothes or you will notice a bad smell."

(Muslim)







- Friend audit: Helping you become better or worse? Encouraging or discouraging good?
- What do you do together? Are you ashamed of telling others?
- What are the things they're involved in?
- How can you encourage your friends towards positive/good, clean things?
- Are you going to be happy or regret on Day of Judgement?







iPhone 6 Bigger than bigger



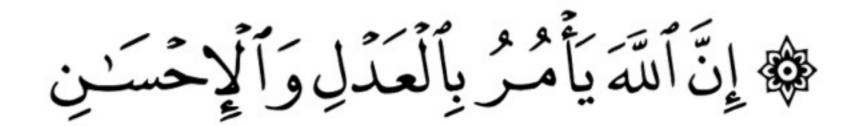
Steve Jobs' pursuit for perfection



إِنَّ اللهُ تَعَالَى يُحِبِّ إِذَا عَمِلَ أَحَدُكُمْ عَمَلًا أَنْ يُتْقِنَهُ

Allah loves that if one of you does a job, he perfects it.
(Bayhaqi)





Indeed, Allah commands to do justice and do ihsaan... (Qur'an - 16:90)

Ibsaan in:

- 1. Worship 2. All other areas



Ihsaan means worshipping Allah as if you can see Him, and although you cannot see Him, He can see you.

(Muslim)



إن الله كتب الإحسان على كل شيء

Verily, Allah has prescribed ihsan (excellence, perfection, proficiency) in all things.
(Muslim)



ٱلَّذِى خَلَقَ ٱلْمَوْتَ وَٱلْحَيَوْةَ لِيَالُوكُمْ أَيُّكُو أَحْسَنُ عَمَلًا

[He] who created death and life to test you [as to] which of you is best in deed...

(Qur'an - 67:2)



Striving to make best use of every moment of our lives







Examples:

Fulfill responsibility/duty (i.e. earning halal income).

Use knowledge/skills to serve those in need.

Earn then support worthy projects and needy.



The people most beloved to Allah are those who are most beneficial to the people...
(Tabrani)



And do not follow [your own] desire, as it will lead you astray from the way of Allah... (Qur'an - 38:26)



Three things destroy....they are: greediness that is obeyed, and desires that are followed, and a person becoming self-conceited (and proud) with himself... (Bayhaqi)



- What level of effort towards perfection do we put in what we do?
- Are we responding to our opportunities and challenges in the very best way possible?
- What's the motivation behind what we're doing?
- To serve our desires or worldly selfishness, or do we have a higher purpose behind our lives?



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