



## Transform Your Team – 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017 – Friendship - Winning all round

### #The Essential News Story

A farmer who was being pestered every day by a flock of crows in his cornfield. Deciding he'd had enough, he loaded his shotgun and crawled unseen along the fencerow, determined to blow those pesky crows out of the sky. Turns out this farmer had a very sociable parrot that indiscriminately made friends with everybody, and seeing the flock of crows he flew over and joined them in an effort to be friendly. The farmer saw the crows but didn't see his parrot, so he took careful aim, fired, then jumped up and ran over to see how many crows he had shot. Lo and behold, there was his parrot lying on the ground with a broken wing and a chipped beak, but still alive. The farmer tenderly picked him up and brought him home, where his children ran out to meet him. Seeing the injured parrot, they tearfully asked, 'Daddy, what happened?' But before he could answer, the parrot spoke up: 'That's what you get for hanging out with the wrong crowd.' You can never be at the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing, if you're with the wrong crowd.

### #MondayFact

With few exceptions, our success in life depends on our ability to establish and maintain relationships with the right people. According to a report by the American Management Association the overwhelming consensus of two hundred managers who participated in a survey, was that the most important skill of an executive is his or her ability to get along with people. They rated this ability as more vital than intelligence, decisiveness, knowledge, or job skills.

**“Associate with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for it is better to be alone than in bad company.”**

**George Washington**

### View from @PhilJBish – When it's all said and done

You can find an immense joy, and a deep satisfaction, when you begin to give (your time, support, skills, money, friendship, encouragement...) to those around you. Yes, it really does do something good for our hearts and souls when someone takes the time to give to us.

Everyone has a need for close relationships. God created us as social, emotional beings: We thrive in healthy friendships and find great fulfillment there. Keep in mind that in all healthy relationships we should be asking, "What can I do to benefit and love my friend?" ... not, "What can this person do for me?"

We are designed for friendship to be caring, loving and intimate. To have these type of friendships, we need to realize it is our responsibility to find and build healthy relationships. To do so, we must reach out to others and treat them the way we would desire to be treated by a friend — looking out for what is in their best interest.

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