COME ON IN



CULTIVATING A LIFE OF HOSPITALITY

1 JESUS ENTERED JERICHO AND MADE HIS WAY THROUGH THE TOWN. 2 THERE WAS A MAN THERE NAMED ZACCHAEUS. HE WAS THE CHIEF TAX COLLECTOR IN THE REGION, AND HE HAD BECOME VERY RICH. 3 HE TRIED TO GET A LOOK AT JESUS, BUT HE WAS TOO SHORT TO SEE OVER THE CROWD. 4 SO HE RAN AHEAD AND CLIMBED A SYCAMORE-FIG TREE BESIDE THE ROAD, FOR JESUS WAS GOING TO PASS THAT WAY.

LUKE 19:1-4 NLT

5 WHEN JESUS CAME BY, HE LOOKED UP AT ZACCHAEUS AND CALLED HIM BY NAME. "ZACCHAEUS!" HE SAID. "QUICK, COME DOWN! I MUST BE A GUEST IN YOUR HOME TODAY." 6 ZACCHAEUS QUICKLY CLIMBED DOWN AND TOOK JESUS TO HIS HOUSE IN GREAT EXCITEMENT AND JOY.

LUKE 19:5-6 NLT

HOW DID ZACCHAEUS AND JESUS GET FROM THE TREE TO THE TABLE?



FIVE PRINCIPLES OF HOSPITALITY:



- INVITATION

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WE NEED TO ENGAGE IN THE SIMPLE ACT OF INVITING PEOPLE TO COME INTO OUR LIVES.



- INVITATION
- INCLUSION

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2. HE IS WEALTHY
3. HE IS SHORT

12 THEN HE TURNED TO HIS HOST. "WHEN YOU PUT ON A LUNCHEON OR A BANQUET," HE SAID, "DON'T INVITE YOUR FRIENDS, BROTHERS, RELATIVES, AND RICH NEIGHBORS. FOR THEY WILL INVITE YOU BACK, AND THAT WILL BE YOUR ONLY REWARD. 13 INSTEAD, INVITE THE POOR, THE CRIPPLED, THE LAME, AND THE BLIND. 14 THEN AT THE RESURRECTION OF THE RIGHTEOUS, GOD WILL REWARD YOU FOR INVITING THOSE WHO COULD NOT REPAY YOU."

LUKE 14:12-14 NLT



LIKE JESUS, WE NEED A REPUTATION AS PEOPLE THAT DON'T FORGET THE LAST, THE LEAST, OR THE LOST.

- INVITATION
- INCLUSION
- MUTUALITY

FIVE PRINCIPLES OF HOSPITALITY:



8 WE LOVED YOU SO MUCH THAT WE SHARED WITH YOU NOT ONLY GOD'S GOOD NEWS BUT OUR OWN LIVES, TOO.

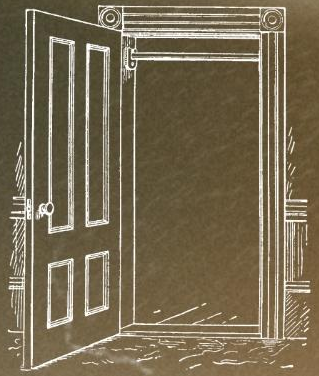
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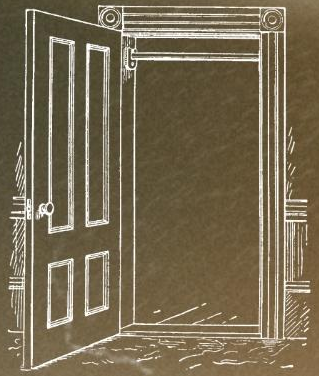
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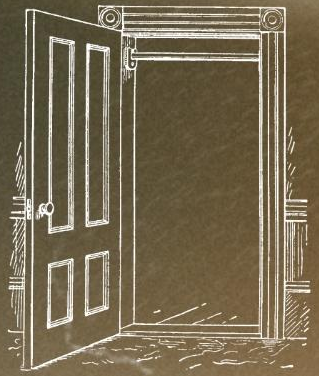
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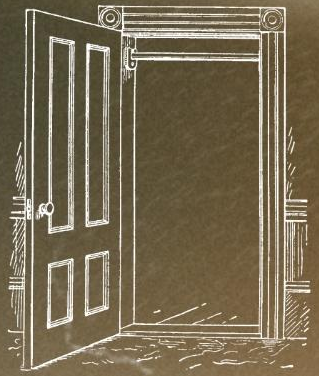
- BORROW THINGS

A COUPLE OF PRINCIPLES TO HELP US HAVE A MUTUALITY MINDSET:



- JUST BE HAPPY WITH THE ORDINARY

A COUPLE OF PRINCIPLES TO HELP US HAVE A MUTUALITY MINDSET:



- INVITATION
- INCLUSION
- MUTUALITY
- FOOD

FIVE PRINCIPLES OF HOSPITALITY:



1 THE LORD APPEARED AGAIN TO ABRAHAM NEAR THE OAK GROVE BELONGING TO MAMRE. ONE DAY ABRAHAM WAS SITTING AT THE ENTRANCE TO HIS TENT DURING THE HOTTEST PART OF THE DAY. 2HE LOOKED UP AND NOTICED THREE MEN STANDING NEARBY. WHEN HE SAW THEM, HE RAN TO MEET THEM AND WELCOMED THEM, BOWING LOW TO THE GROUND. 3 "MY LORD," HE SAID, "IF IT PLEASES YOU, STOP HERE FOR A WHILE. 4 REST IN THE SHADE OF THIS TREE WHILE WATER IS BROUGHT TO WASH YOUR FEET.

GENESIS 18:1-4 NLT

5 AND SINCE YOU'VE HONORED YOUR SERVANT WITH THIS VISIT, LET ME PREPARE SOME FOOD TO REFRESH YOU BEFORE YOU CONTINUE ON YOUR JOURNEY." "ALL RIGHT," THEY SAID. "DO AS YOU HAVE SAID." 6 SO ABRAHAM RAN BACK TO THE TENT AND SAID TO SARAH, "HURRY! GET THREE LARGE MEASURES[A] OF YOUR BEST FLOUR, KNEAD IT INTO DOUGH, AND BAKE SOME BREAD." 7 THEN ABRAHAM RAN OUT TO THE HERD AND CHOSE A TENDER CALF AND GAVE IT TO HIS SERVANT, WHO QUICKLY PREPARED IT. 8 WHEN THE FOOD WAS READY, ABRAHAM TOOK SOME YOGURT AND MILK AND THE ROASTED MEAT, AND HE SERVED IT TO THE MEN. AS THEY ATE, ABRAHAM WAITED ON THEM IN THE SHADE OF THE TREES.

GENESIS 18:5-8 NLT

42 ALL THE BELIEVERS DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE APOSTLES' TEACHING, AND TO FELLOWSHIP, AND TO SHARING IN MEALS (INCLUDING THE LORD'S SUPPER), AND TO PRAYER.

ACTS 2:42 NLT

- INVITATION
- INCLUSION
- MUTUALITY
- FOOD
- MISSION

FIVE PRINCIPLES OF HOSPITALITY:





JESUS EXPECTED THAT ZACCHAEUS' LIFE COULD BE CHANGED AND WOULD BE CHANGED THROUGH THIS ENCOUNTER.

8 MEANWHILE, ZACCHAEUS STOOD BEFORE THE LORD AND SAID, “I WILL GIVE HALF MY WEALTH TO THE POOR, LORD, AND IF I HAVE CHEATED PEOPLE ON THEIR TAXES, I WILL GIVE THEM BACK FOUR TIMES AS MUCH!”

LUKE 19:8 NLT

9 JESUS RESPONDED, “SALVATION HAS COME TO THIS HOME TODAY, FOR THIS MAN HAS SHOWN HIMSELF TO BE A TRUE SON OF ABRAHAM. 10 FOR THE SON OF MAN CAME TO SEEK AND SAVE THOSE WHO ARE LOST.”

LUKE 19:9-10 NLT

OUR MISSIONAL COMMITMENT TO THE GLORY OF GOD THROUGH THE REDEMPTION OF PEOPLE IS WHAT CAUSES US TO SAY TO PEOPLE, "COME ON IN!"

