

Using Hospitality to Share Jesus

Luke 5:27-32

²⁷ After that He went out and noticed a tax collector named Levi sitting in the tax booth, and He said to him, "Follow Me." ²⁸ And he left everything behind, and got up and began to follow Him. ²⁹ And Levi gave a big reception for Him in his house; and there was a great crowd of tax collectors and other people who were reclining at the table with them. ³⁰ The Pharisees and their scribes began grumbling at His disciples, saying, "Why do you eat and drink with the tax collectors and sinners?" ³¹ And Jesus answered and said to them, "It is not those who are well who need a physician, but those who are sick. ³² I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

Hospitality is an opportunity for a Christian to show the world the unique love of Jesus. It does not have to be elaborate. When we open our hearts to receive others in the name of Christ we open doors to share Him.

Biblical Hospitality is

1. Based on our love for Jesus.
Luke 10:27, Psalm 18:1, 70:4, 1 Peter 4:8-10
2. Spiritual warfare.
Romans 10:1, 12:20-21, Acts 26:18
3. Reflects the gospel.
Luke 12:34, Romans 1:16, Acts 1:8
4. Simple.
Romans 12:13, Mark 9:41
5. Real and open.
Ephesians 4:15, 5:1, 1 Corinthians 10:31, James 2:18
6. Inclusive.
John 3:3, 15:12, Luke 14:23, Hebrews 13:2