

Is This Us? Hospitality

Text: Acts 2:42-47

Purpose: Because we have received and experienced God's love and hospitality, we want to overcome the fears and costs of being hospitable Christians who open their hearts and homes to the vulnerable.

Opening Question: *What is your favorite room in your house? Why?*

Read and Discuss: Acts 2:42-47

1. *Is there a difference between hospitality and entertaining?*
2. *Leviticus 19:33-34 When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. ³⁴ The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the LORD your God. How has God been hospitable to you? Why does God's hospitality toward us require that we show hospitality to others?*
3. *Deuteronomy 10:17-19 For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality and accepts no bribes. ¹⁸ He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing. ¹⁹ And you are to love those who are foreigners, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt. Who are the vulnerable and exposed in your neighborhood, work, surroundings that you could offer hospitality too? What does that look like?*
4. *What fears keep us from becoming more of a hospitable person? What are the costs to hospitality?*
5. *How can you be a more hospitable person at church? At small group? In your neighborhood?*