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The Jesus Way

John 4:4-20



1. The New Testament repeatedly commands believers to be given to "hospitality." This word in the original language (Greek) means to "love strangers, to be generous to guests." In the culture of Jesus' day, there were many travelers and very few inns to house them along the way. There was a great need to open one's home for a meal, a drink or even an overnight stay. Look up the four NT passages that tell believers to be hospitable and write down any thoughts:
 - Romans 12:9-13
 - I Timothy 5:10
 - Hebrews 13:2
 - I Peter 4:7-9

2. It's been remarked that in Luke's gospel, Jesus was either eating a meal with someone, just got done eating a meal with someone or was headed to eat a meal with someone. Jesus did not have a home of His own, but that did not stop Him from being hospitable. Sometimes He even invited Himself over! What are ways that you could be hospitable and use hospitality as a way to share Christ? How does God want you to use what you have to reach your neighbor, co-worker or family for Christ? What are the benefits of having a meal with someone or several people?

Connection Card Next Steps - Memorize Luke 7:34

***I will invite** a friend, neighbor or co-worker over for a meal in the month of January with the goal of starting/growing a friendship where I can display Christ.

***I will be more concerned** about a person's eternal destiny, and I ask God to put a burden in my heart to make a prayer list of those God has put into my circle of influence.