

### I. Introduction

- A. Treatment of \_\_\_\_\_ is one of the greatest commandments.
- B. When questioned about how to live out the greatest commandments, Jesus told a parable in which a \_\_\_\_\_ was the just figure.
- C. The key difference of the three people who observed the robbed man was the third person \_\_\_\_\_.

### II. Be Consistent

- A. Hospitality is the message before the \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Hospitality has an \_\_\_\_\_ focus while still making room for inward care.
- C. If we are consistently hospitable, we “entertain \_\_\_\_\_ without knowing it” (Hebrews 13:1-3).

### III. Hospitality to All

- A. The Apostle James noted the importance of acting upon our faith stating that “faith without works is \_\_\_\_\_.” (James 2:26)
- B. The “10 foot rule” challenges us to know the \_\_\_\_\_ of everyone in a 10 foot radius.
- C. Hospitality is the business of every \_\_\_\_\_ of our church.

### *Things I Would Like to Remember About This Message*

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# ASBURY DAILY STUDY GUIDE *February 17-22, 2025*

## INTRODUCTION

Last week, we explored the “why” of hospitality through looking at the example Jesus set in his ministry. Today, we explore to “how” to live this out in everyday circumstances. Without action and intention, our hospitality may not be as impactful, yet in living out our faith and calling we can make people feel welcomed just as Christ welcomes us.

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### Monday: Galatians 6:9

We all know the temptation to give up when things get difficult. From pushing through a tough workout to continuing with a task at work that has encountered many setbacks, it is easy to become discouraged. However, in Christ, we are called to continue to do good even when it becomes difficult, requires sacrifice, and/or does not produce an immediate effect. What do you do to stay engaged in living out your faith? How can others help you to do the most good?

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### Tuesday: Luke 14:12-14

Very often we see hospitality in reciprocal system: *if you are nice to me, I'll be nice to you*. In this teaching, Jesus encourages us to do quite the opposite. While this does not prohibit us from offering hospitality to family and friends, it does challenge us to be outward-focused. What do you make of this on a practical basis? How do you understand this in terms of God offering us salvation?

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### Wednesday: Lyrics from “Here I Am, Lord”

You are invited to sing or read the lyrics of “Here I Am, Lord” found in the United Methodist Hymnal, #593 (or via <https://www.songfacts.com/lyrics/dan-schutte/here-i-am-lord>). What line or verse most speaks to you in this season of your faith journey? The songs chorus calls for God to send us, as individuals. Where is God calling you? Are you ready to serve?

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### Thursday: Romans 12:9-13

Various professions use the term “practice” in how they operation (example – doctors practice medicine). Some people are more patient as they become proficient at something while other can get easily discouraged when they don't get it right the first time. The Apostle Paul offers several spiritual disciplines to practice amid living out the Christian faith. What spiritual disciplines help you the most as you “practice hospitality?”

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### Friday: Hebrews 13:15-16

Lest we think hospitality is all work and nothing to do with the Lord, the Apostle Peter reminds us to see our work as an offering to God. While singing praises and the raising up of prayers are common in worship, so too is what we do. What actions do you do that you feel are an offering to God? How do these offerings close the gap between the Kingdom of God and our world?

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## MOVING FORWARD

Through the teachings of Jesus and early actions of the Apostles, we can see that hospitality was not simply an ideal or philosophy but actions in line with the faith they professed. By intentionally welcoming person who are new to faith and long-established in faith, we have a better environment to further our discipleship and missional outcome. Amen?

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*Answers to the sermon notes: IA) people B) Samaritan, C) acted. IIA) message, B) outward, IIC) angels. IIIA) dead, B) names, C) member.*