Hospitality: Living Love in the Last Days

Scripture: 1 Peter 4:7-9 Sunday, May 25, 2014

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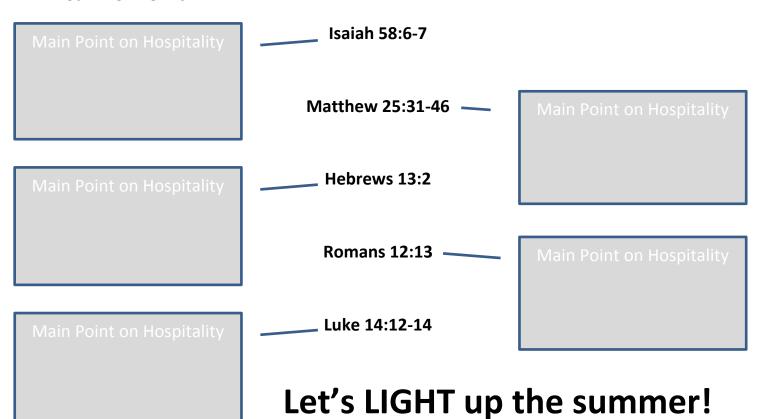
1. A Call to ACTION: Be Summer LIGHTs

Lovingly Invite. Graciously Host. Tell.

- A. **Shine In:** Invite one other individual, couple or family FROM HARBOUR SHORES into your home this summer...and keep inviting until you find someone who is willing and able!
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2. A Call to MEDITATION: Meditate on Hospitality

- During the next few days, **READ** one passage on Hospitality each day.
- After you've read the Scripture, WRITE down the main point on hospitality from that passage.
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INTRODUCTION:

What is "hospitality"? Taken literally from the Greek, it is best defined as "a love of strangers"

HOSPITALITY THROUGH SCRIPTURE:

- Consider the Old Testament: Genesis 2; 18; 1 Samuel 25; 1 Kings 17; Leviticus 19:34
- Consider Jesus: Luke 14:12-14; Matthew 25:34-36
- Consider LOVE. John 3:16; Romans 5:6-8; 1 John 4:19; Ephesians 5:1-2; Mark 12:31

FOUR KEY POINTS ON LIVING LOVE THROUGH HOSPITALITY:

- 1. Hospitality is Hard. (v. 9b)
- 2. Hospitality is Love in Action. (v. 9a)

Scriptures: James 2:15-17; Romans 12:13

- 3. Hospitality Requires Grace. (v. 8)
 - Hospitality ultimately serves as a window to God's Grace.

3 Sound Barriers to Break Through to Tell of God's Grace:

- a. Natural Sound Barrier
- b. Spiritual Sound Barrier
- c. Gospel Sound Barrier

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4. Hospitality is Essential. (v. 7)

Hospitality is essential as the end of all things draws near, because...

- A. Hospitality meets real needs of others.
- B. Hospitality exposes sin in our hearts.
- C. Hospitality puts Christ on display.

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