

York St Small Groups

Sermon Based Studies

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MAKING ROOM

Luke 19: 1-10



Please note that these studies are designed to be explored after hearing the Sunday Sermon and also to be accompanied by a time of prayer/sharing and supper.

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GETTING STARTED

Question #1

What word pictures come to mind when you hear the word hospitality?

Question #2

Share personal experiences of wonderful hospitality. What were the components? Were you a stranger, guest, or host? Have you ever intentionally made room for someone?

INTO THE BIBLE

Read Luke 14:12-14.

Question #3

Reflect on the differences between this picture of hospitality and contemporary images of hospitality. How do you respond to this?

Read Luke 19: 1-10

Question #4

Romans 12:13b says we're to practice hospitality; literally, to "pursue the love of strangers" (Heb. 13:2), not simply to hang out with our family and friends. Practising biblical hospitality demonstrates obedience to our heavenly Father.

In the story of Zacchaeus how did Jesus demonstrate biblical hospitality? What was the response? Why do you think that happened?

Read Matthew 25:31-46

Question #5

How does this passage extend our view of hospitality involving more than meeting physical needs? In what way does this challenge your view of sharing the gospel?

DIGGING DEEPER

Question #6

In what way do you think hospitality can be the key to sharing the gospel in our context today?

Question #7

Who is a stranger? What are some of your fears or uncertainties about welcoming strangers?

Question #8

How can you 'make room' for others in your everyday?
What small change could you make in your daily routine to become more hospitable?

PRAY together