

# The Power of Hospitality

## For Further Reflection and Discussion

*We demonstrate hospitality when we:*

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

*Opener: What is your favorite hobby or sport, and how did you get started?*

How did you encounter God at church this Sunday?

How's your experience with the "Connect Four" emphasis been so far?

- What have you noticed about Jesus and his interactions with people as you have been engaging with Scripture?
- How have you heard God speaking as you have been praying for your "four"?
- Has God given any opportunities for a conversation about spiritual things with any of the people you are praying for?

Look at Luke 5:30 and 7:34. What does it mean that Jesus was a friend of sinners?

How easy or difficult do you find it to be a friend of sinners? What challenges do you face as you try to do this?

In your own spiritual journey, what are some ways that others invested in your life to help you connect with God and community?

What are some ways that God is directing you to invest in the lives of the people you are praying for as a part of Connect Four?

As you think about the people you are praying for, what kind of invitation do you sense they are ready for?

How does the prospect of inviting someone to follow Jesus strike you? What thoughts or emotions does that bring up?

What helps or hinders believers from showing hospitality in the ways we're talking about (including, investing, inviting)?

How can we pray for one another?