



Outline & Study Guide
The Art of Neighboring
Motives Matter
1 Peter 4:7-11
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Main Thought: Hospitality is one of the ways God embraces His world.

Sunday Outline:

- The Mandate – Love Strangers
- The Model – Charitable Heart of God (Deuteronomy 10:12-19)

Question: What does the way you use your home and resources say to your neighbors about what God is like?

- The Motives for Hospitality
- The Manner of Hospitality

Question: What have been your most meaningful experiences of hospitality and how could you replicate them?

Application:

- What are you going to do with the block map this week after reflecting on the value of hospitality?
- Friends listen to friends.
- Friends trust friends.

For Further Study: *(Note - We encourage you to connect into the community of a Life Group to dig deeper into the teaching and application of the message and to find greater encouragement and accountability. Life Groups are working through a more in-depth Study Guide related to "The Art of Neighboring".)*

- Read 3 John 5-8.
 - Did you know 3 John is the shortest book in the Bible and is a highly personal letter reflecting John's appreciation of Gaius and Demetrius because of their hospitality to other Christians?
 - Why does hospitality towards travelling missionaries bring God's commendation?
 - 3 John describes a basic theology of hospitality. How would you describe it and why was it so important to the New Testament church?
 - What are the ways you practice hospitality in our community that would extend the mission of the church?