



Love God



Love One Another



Do Mission Together



Home Group study: week beginning 3rd July 2022

THEME: MERE HOSPITALITY? - GOD'S HOSPITALITY THROUGH SALVATION

PASSAGE: JOHN 14v1-3 and EPHESIANS 2v1-22

LAUNCH

Can you think of a time when you were warmly received and the hospitality was excellent?
What were the key features of this 'good hospitality?'

Similarly (without giving away the details), can you think of examples of bad hospitality?

DISCOVERY AND UNDERSTANDING

Read the John 14v1-3 passage

What are the different ways that Jesus shows hospitality to his disciples in just these 3 verses?

In the preach some debate took place about what type of accommodation would be provided in the Father's house. Different words are used. Room/Dwelling space/Mansion. Which one do you prefer and why?

Using your imagination along with what we learn from these verses, what do you think the new heaven and new earth will be like?

Is it good to imagine like this or is it just silly dreaming?

Read the Ephesians 2v1-22 passage

It's quite a long passage but what are the key aspects or elements of God's hospitality that are provided for us through Jesus's death on the cross?

Which ones stand out to you and why?

Paul is keen to point out what we were outside of Christ as compared to who we are in Christ. What are some of the possible reasons why he needed to do this?

In verses 19-22 we get the grand finale of the passage as Paul says we are citizens, members of a royal household and a living temple in which God lives by his Spirit. How should these truths motivate us to live a Godly life?

APPLICATION

God's hospitality is shown in this passage to be free, indiscriminate, lavish, unmerited and endless. How does this inspire you in the way you show hospitality in the coming week?

Pray for the church fun day at the end of July which is our next big expression of hospitality.

Pray for people by name that God will extend the same amazing hospitality that he extended to us.