



Week 2 | Open Door | May 14

Key Focus: Pursue Hospitality.

Opening Up:

What is the best podcast, book, movie, or television show you have seen or heard lately?

What book, podcast, movie, etc. has most caused change in your life? How?

What bible verse or bible passage has most changed your life?

If you could write a book or produce a movie to bring about change in the world, what would its title be?

Reference: Romans 12:9-13

Discuss:

1. We are told to pursue hospitality in verse 13. Christian hospitality is the pursuit of others with the intention of meeting their needs through a shared life experience. Has anyone ever pursued you and shown you hospitality?
2. How has God pursued you and shown you hospitality?
3. Is there anyone you should be pursuing to show hospitality?
4. How can hospitality move from being a nice thing to do, to being a way of life?
5. If you do not have an open door to hospitality, you have a door shut to the grace of God. How does God's grace open the door to hospitality? (Duet. 15:15; Rom. 6:20)
6. John Piper says, "Grace is the hospitality of God to welcome sinners not because of their goodness but because of his glory." How does this grace help us to give genuine love that is without an agenda? (12:9)
7. When you look at the world around you what makes you say, "I have had all I can stand, I can stand no more?" In other words, what is your holy-discontent with the world?
8. We are to love and to hate? (12:9) Your mission in life lies at the intersection of who you love and what you hate? What is at that intersection for you?
9. How can you act on your mission through acts of hospitality?
10. How does the cultural longing for more work against pursuing hospitality?
11. Nothing exposes how much more than enough you have like entertaining someone who has less than enough in your home. Have you ever served someone with less than enough? Have you ever been served by someone who had more than enough? Have you ever been served by someone who has less than enough? Tell the story.
12. Pray.