



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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**BE OUR GUEST**  
**Part 2**  
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Ted mentioned that 86% of people that go to a church for the first time are invited by a friend. Begin with a discussion of how that should impact our thinking about our role as church members in reaching the lost.

**Read: Matthew 9:9-13**

*Do you sometimes find yourself more interested in gathering righteous people together than those who are in the most need of Jesus? Why is it tempting to focus on seeking those who don't need a doctor as opposed to those who are sick?*

**Read: Romans 15:7**

**Hospitality... welcomes the marginalized.**

*Who are the marginalized? Are there certain types of people you avoid? Are there certain sins that seem "worse" than others?*

**Hospitality... opens the door to every nation, tribe and tongue.**

*How does this speak to the importance diversity in our congregation?*

**Hospitality... does not play favorites.**

*What areas do you struggle with playing favorites? Discuss the meaning of an "Us" vs "Them" mentality? Why is this so detrimental to the ministry of the Gospel?*

**Hospitality... can be messy, awkward and exhausting.**

*What role does intentionality play in those times when hospitality is hard?*

**We welcome guests and invite them to be family.**

*What are some practical ways that we can make our guests feel like family?*

**Read: Luke 15:1**

*Do you think sinners still want to hear from Jesus in our day and age?*

**Read: Luke 15:2 & Matthew 11:19**

*Why can welcoming sinners bother religious people? How do you find the balance of standing up for what is right and loving people where they are?*

**Read: Luke 15:3-7**

*Why would Jesus leave the 99 to search for the 1? Is this concept challenging for you?*

**Read: John 1:12**

*What is the difference between being made in the image of God and being a child of God? What is the importance of repentance in helping the lost to move from image bearer to child of God?*

