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(After the death of John the Baptist) Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs he was doing on the sick. Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples.

John 6:1-3

### 5,000+ listeners at an in person retreat

O1 Jesus is popular

O2 Jesus is charismatic 03

The people want to listen

04 A paradigm 05 shift in ministry?

05 Heavenly 06 consultation

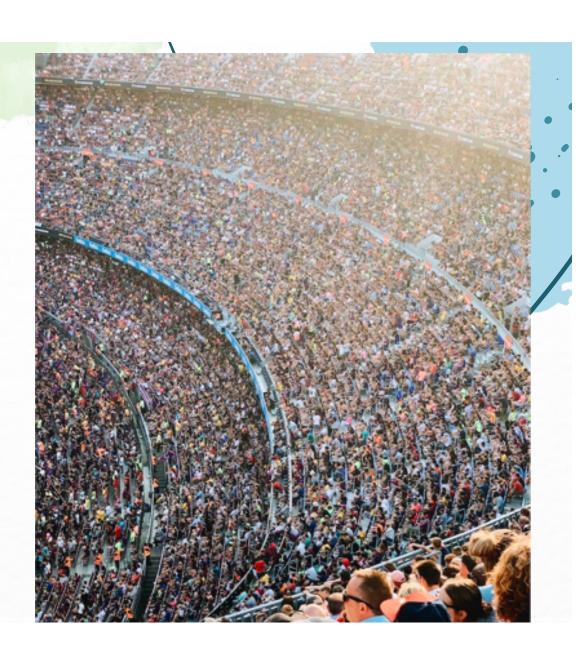
Key people to achieve the mission?

Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip. "Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do

John 6:4-6

### Feeding 5000

What would you do if you were faced with feeding a huge crowd?



Philip answered him. "Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?"

John 6:7-9

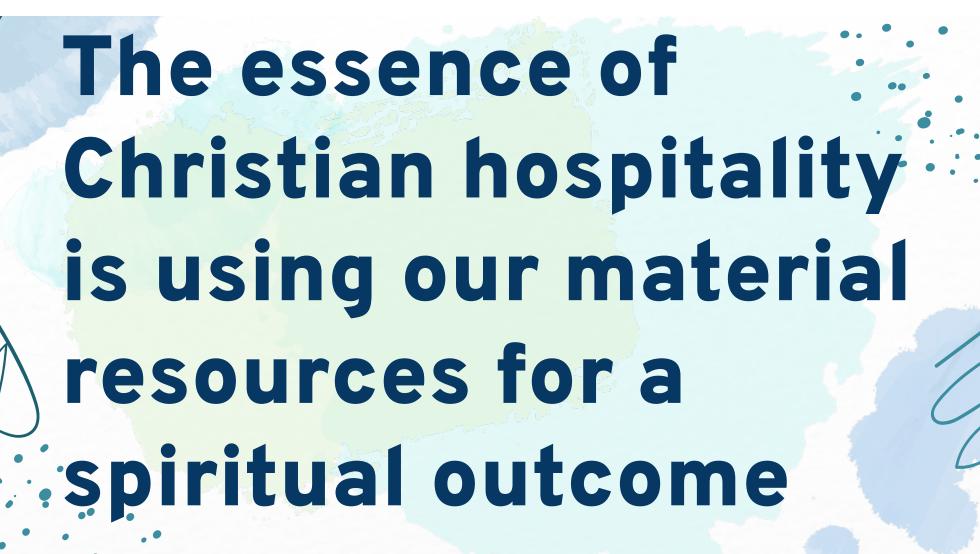
# The price of Hospitality

How much food? Where will we buy it? What will it cost?



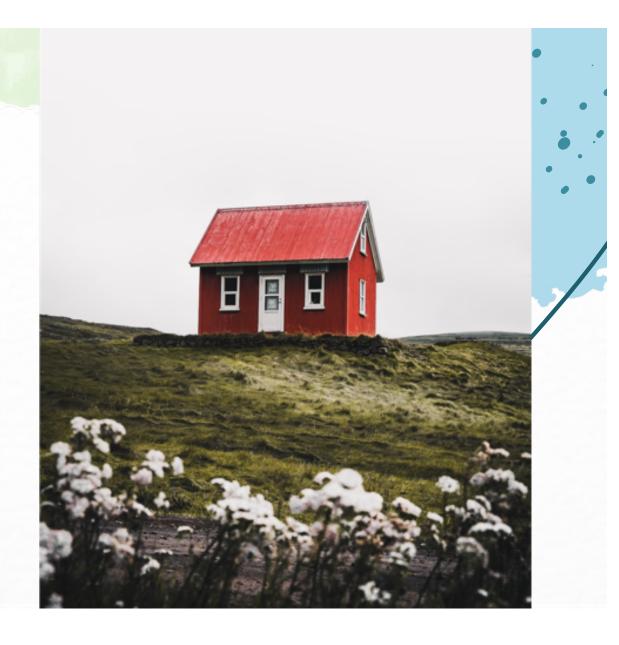
Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted.

John 6:10-11



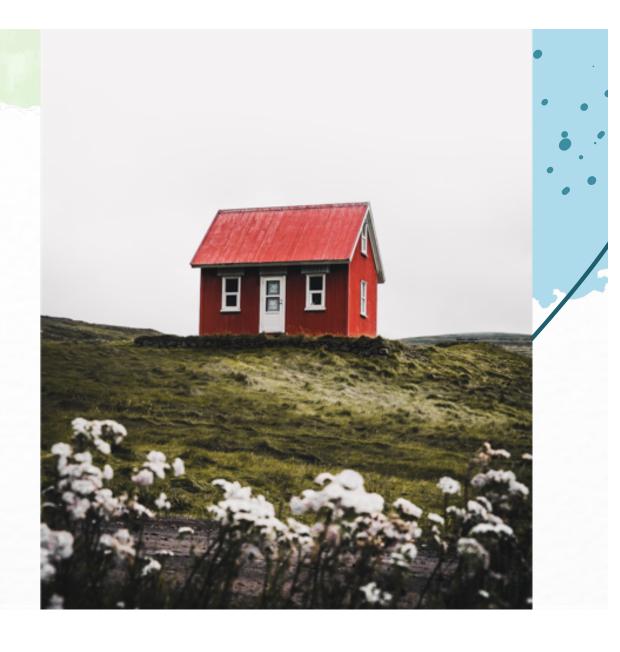
## Your greatest material asset

More than real estate



How is a home more than real estate?

How can I use it for the sake of the Kingdom of God?









## Online definitions of "hospitality":

1. The act of being friendly and welcoming to guests and visitors

2. Receiving and treating guests and strangers in a warm, friendly, generous way.

27 After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector by the name of Levi sitting at his tax booth. "Follow me," Jesus said to him, 28 and Levi got up, left everything and followed him. 29 Then Levi held a great banquet for Jesus at his house, and a large crowd of tax collectors and others were eating with

30 But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law who belonged to their sect complained to his disciples, "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" 31 Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. 32 I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." (Luke 5:27-32)



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Response: It's worth it, but also hospitality can be simple.

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46 While Jesus was still talking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside, wanting to speak to him. 47 Someone told him, "Your mother and brothers are standing outside, wanting to speak to you." 48 He replied to him, "Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?"

Pointing to his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers.

For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."

(Matthew 12:46-50)

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Response: Take care of your blood family AND include your spiritual family.



"Those who live out radically ordinary hospitality see their homes not as theirs at all but as God's gift to use for the furtherance of his kingdom."

(p. 11)

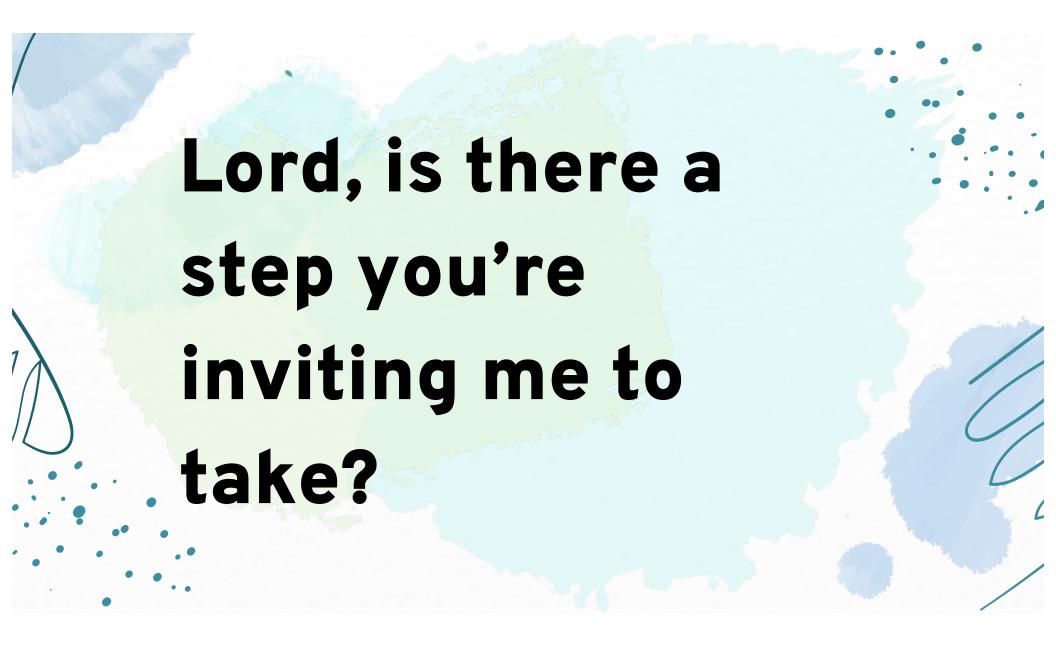
The Gospel Comes with a House Key by Rosaria Butterfield



#4: My home is a private space.

Response: Your house is a resource, given by God, that you need to faithfully steward







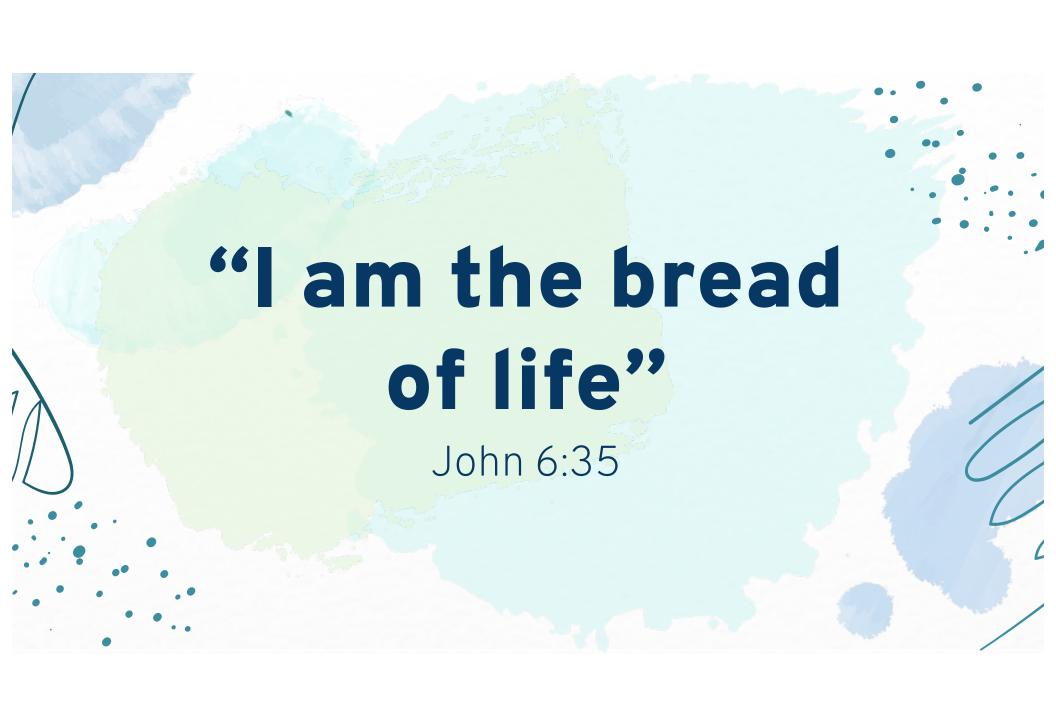
When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, "This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!" Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

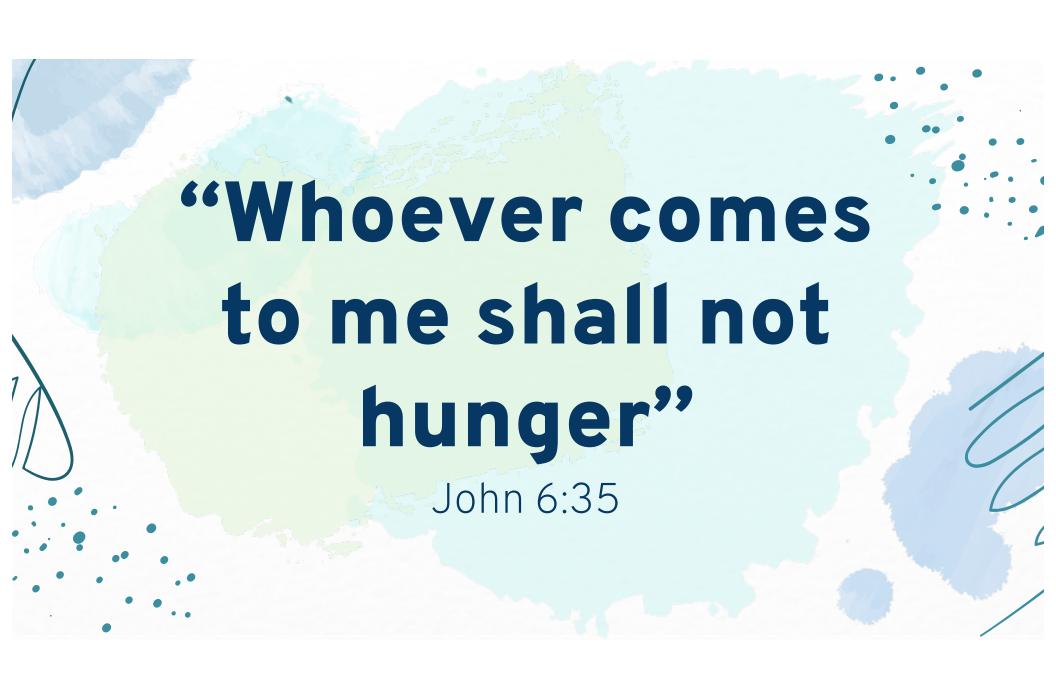
John 6:14-15



What did Jesus want them to learn?

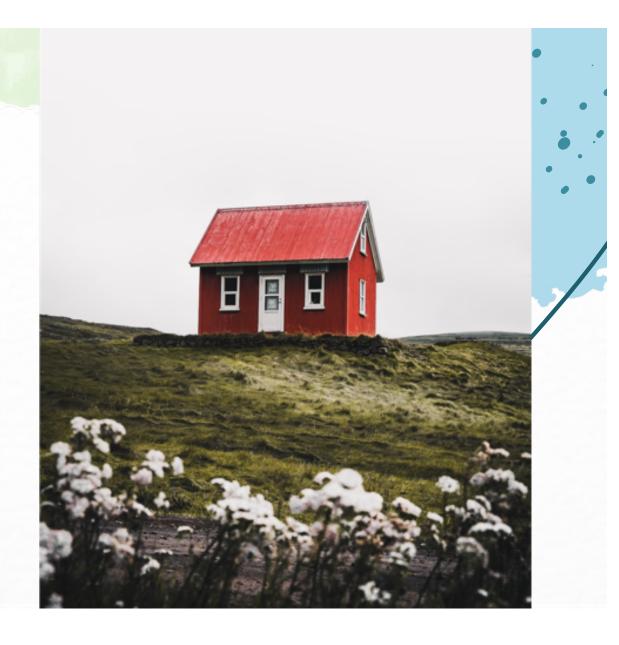
Feeding of 5,000





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And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, "Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten.

John 6:12-13





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