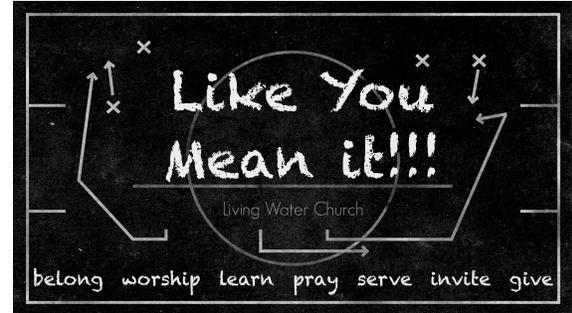




Living Water
Church

Diving Deeper: A Gather Group discussion guide
or personal devotional guide



Invite Like You Mean It!

Introduction: The church was such an attractive community that the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved. The love, fellowship, and genuine faith was evident in the early church. It was a welcoming and inviting place. The church should be a place where followers of Jesus gladly invite others to join them in their journey of faith,

Text: Acts 2:42-27

Discussion:

1. Icebreaker: What are events or places that you have invited people to attend? Was it difficult for you to invite them? Discuss/write
2. Read Acts 2:42-47. The early church was a community of followers of Jesus who genuinely lived out their faith in Jesus. It was such a contagious community that those who did not know Jesus was attracted to what God was doing. Are you following Jesus in a way that would make others want to know Jesus? How can our life become a ray of hope to a lost world?
3. Read John 1: 35-51 What do you notice Andrew doing after he met Jesus? What do you notice Phillip doing after he met Jesus? Who are the people in your life that you could invite to Jesus?
4. Read Mark 2:1-12. Why did the four friends bring their friend to Jesus? What happened when they brought him to Jesus?
5. How are those who are not followers of Jesus like the paralytic? Read Eph. 2:1-4
6. Why is it important to notice the lost around you?
7. How can you carry a corner and help bring someone to Jesus? Write/Discuss ways that you can invite others to Jesus.
8. Why is a simple invite to church a way to bring people to Jesus?

Think About it:

We invite people to many places and events. We love to invite others to environments that we think they will enjoy. Church should be one of those places that we easily invite people to join. Your church should be a place where Jesus is present and the singing, prayer, and preaching lead people into an authentic relationship with Christ. The church needs to be a community of believers will the love and truth of Jesus is felt and taught!

Moving Forward:

Pray every day that the Lord will open your eyes to the opportunities to invite someone to Christ and his church. Make a list of family members, friends, co-workers who need to know Jesus. Pray for them daily that the Lord will begin to move in their life. Invite at least one person to join you this Sunday/1

