



# Welcoming the Stranger

Multi-Ethnic Ministry Series: Video 5 - Dialogue 2

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**Group Facilitator:** Take a moment to outline what the discussion will be, and open your time together with prayer.

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**Scripture Reading:** Hebrews 13:2

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**Opening Exercise:** View Video 5 – “Embracing All People”

Give participants a moment of silence after viewing the video to reflect on what phrase or idea left the greatest impression on them. Have participants write down the phrase or idea so they don't forget!

Ask, “What spoke to you and why?”

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**Opening Questions:** What are the challenges and disappointments immigrants face when they move to a new country?

What might be some of the U.S. systems that would be difficult to adapt to? (e.g. transportation, healthcare, legal)

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**Scripture Focus:** 1 Peter 4:7-11

How does prayer relate to the practice of hospitality?

What does it mean to love deeply?

How might the power of love bridge differences?

What are practical challenges we face when offering hospitality to people different from us?

How can we minister God's grace in various forms of hospitality?

What is significant about what we say and do in terms of hospitality?

What is the goal of being hospitable to others?

How might our church become more effective at welcoming the “strangers” who live in our community? Our city?

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**Personal Response:** What are the ways you can pray, love more deeply, speak, serve and show others hospitality?

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**Group Facilitator:** Have participants close their time together with prayer.

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