

Welcome Home

NO PERFECT PEOPLE ALLOWED



INTRODUCTION

Everyone longs for a good home but unfortunately not everyone has one. That's why being homeless is such a terrible thing because not only you don't have a place to stay but you don't have anyone that you can go home to.

Our God is a welcoming God. He welcomes anyone and everyone who believes on Jesus into His family. While He lived on earth, Jesus always welcomed anyone into His presence or to wherever He was preaching at the time. With Jesus as our example, we as the church should be the most welcoming bunch on earth. Whether it's welcoming friends into our home, visitors into our church, or just saying hello to a stranger on the street, as Christians we should display the welcoming attitude of God.

This is the reason why THE ROCKS exists, why we are building our building. We want to be the church that the spiritually homeless can call home, be accepted, listen to message of grace, and grow in their faith in Jesus Christ to the glory of God.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What do you it's like to be homeless? Which do you think is harder: not having a place to stay or people to go home to?
2. Read and talk about the following verses about welcoming others:
 - *"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." Romans 15:7*
 - *"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." Matthew 25:35-36*
 - *"If all you do is love the lovable, do you expect a bonus? Anybody can do that. 47 If you simply say hello to those who greet you, do you expect a medal? Any run-of-the-mill sinner does that. In a word, what I'm saying is, Grow up. You're kingdom subjects. Now live like it. Live out your God-created identity. Live generously and graciously toward others, the way God lives toward you." Matthew 5:46-48 (MSG)*
3. Quoting Jesus' word *"You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it." Matthew 16:18 (NLT)*, Ps. D said "Don't give because you fear that God's work won't be done - but because you fear that if you were not involved, it would be done without you."
 - What do you think about this statement?
 - For those of you who's been giving to Kingdom Builders, why do you give? What has been the challenge and blessing of giving?
4. APPLICATION:
 - How can you/ your family help to build God's church?
 - Pray for the next 3 weeks for our church Kingdom Builders programme.
 - Pray and decide as an individual or family how you can be involved in Kingdom Builders.
 - On the 19th of March, bring your commitment card to church and we will dedicate our giving together.

MOVING FORWARD

Serving and giving to God is not a chore, it is a privilege and an opportunity of a lifetime.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

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