



“Widening Your Ring”

Growing Together Series

September 25, 2022

Hebrews 13:1–2

[1] Let brotherly love continue. [2] Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.

Please read (emailed on 9/22) or listen to the sermon on podcast prior to discussion.

1. Name a group (clubs, organizations, teams, peers, etc) that you’ve always wanted to join but weren’t able to. What hindered your inclusion and participation with that desired group?
2. Hospitality literally means “loving strangers”. As followers of Jesus who consistently extended his love to outsiders, the Bible tells us that we must show this love to those who may not have a natural affinity to, whether it’s those outside or inside the church. What makes showing hospitality to the “strangers” in your life so challenging?
3. What would it mean for you to widen your ring of relationships? If you belong to a Life Group, how would you apply this to those in your group? What do you think of the sermon’s suggested applications to 1) look for opportunities to lean on one another for help, and 2) leave margin in your busy life to include and care for others?
4. Pray with one another that love and care would be the hallmark of ICC and your Life Group.

FOR FUTHER STUDY (together or on your own)

Read Philippians 4:10-20. What can we learn about the qualities of a true gospel community through this passage?