



The Power of an Invitation:

Have you ever received an invitation that ended up changing your life? Most of us have. A wedding proposal, a job offer, or a once in a lifetime opportunity paved the way to transform our lives. God has not only offered each one of us a life changing invitation, but has also given us the responsibility of extending that invitation to those around us!

Scripture: Luke 14:16-24 ESV

Bottom Line: Invitation is the foundation of transformation.

Extend An Invitation!

All of us know people who need to receive God's invitation of relationship. As we reflect on how God has transformed our lives and continues to work in us, it is our privilege to offer his invitation of love, grace and acceptance to those around us. One way that we can do that is to invite people to experience God here at Westside. We hope that you'll take the opportunity to extend an invitation to someone in your life this week.

Sometimes that can be intimidating. We don't always know the proper time or circumstance to step out and ask someone to join us at church. So, we want to give you a few ques to help you identify times that might make it easier to invite a friend or family member.

Whenever you hear someone say:

"I'm new here." Let them know there is a great community of people ready to welcome them!

"I'm struggling with..." We all have struggles. Let them know that this is a safe place to find support and learn about how God wants to lead our lives and give up guidance and direction. Share how this community has helped you overcome obstacles!

"I had a bad church experience." Let them know that church may not be what they remember! Tell them about your positive experiences and ask them to give it another try! They may be surprised by how different it is from their expectations and previous experiences!