

A Call to Radical Hospitality

Acts 18

HOSPITALITY



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- **Story of Priscilla & Aquila –Acts 18**

Priscilla's Attributes of a wonderful woman of God

1. She was strong-minded, fervent in her love for God and Jesus Christ
2. Something of a mover and shaker
3. Teacher of the word spreading the true message of the Gospel
4. Obedient to God's command to show hospitality

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Priscilla's Attributes of a wonderful woman of God

She opens her hands to the oppressed people and stretches them out to the needy. Prov 31:20

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Definition – Radical

Radical means of or going to the extreme, especially as regards to change from accepted or traditional forms

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Definition –Hospitality

1. The friendly reception and treatment of guests or strangers
2. The quality or disposition of receiving and treating guests and strangers in a warm, friendly, generous way

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Definition –Hospitality

Hospitality means primarily the creation of a free space where a stranger can enter and become a friend instead of an enemy. Hospitality is not to change people, but to offer them space where change can take place.

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Why is hospitality important in the church today?

1. Hospitality is an extension of evangelism
2. We can't expect people to come to us anymore, hospitality is an extension of the Body of Christ
3. It's a command (Eph 2:10, Prov 14:31; 19:17)

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- **Reasons for practicing hospitality**

1. We are to go to the utmost extreme for each other -1 Pet 4:8
2. To entertain strangers, you may find yourself entertaining angels -Heb 13:2
3. Hospitality indicates true discipleship -Matt 25:35
4. When we extend hospitality to others, we show our love for Jesus
Matt 25:41-46

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- **Hospitality – An everlasting attribute**

1. Christ's Last Commandment – Love
2. Sets the stage for change
3. Associated with promise and blessings

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