

"USING HOSPITALITY ONE TO ANOTHER"

(1 Peter 4:9)

INTRODUCTION

"Hospitality" - to receive as a guest; to entertain; showing a kindness and courtesy; to host; and hospice, hospital, hostel.

It's asking us to consider the needs of one another and render aid.

Illustrated in: Hymns #709 How Sweet, How Heavenly and #711 Blest Be The Tie That Binds

THE "HOSPITALITY" SCRIPTURES

1. (1 Peter 4:8-10) 4 items associated with "using hospitality to one another."

1) "being fervent in your love among yourselves"

Love for one another is displayed in our "hospitality" (receiving, shelter, care, etc.).

"Love covers a multitude of sins" to be followed by "hospitality." (James 5:19-20)

We reach out to restore brethren, and "hospitality" extends our care.

2) "without murmuring" / "grudging" - be gracious.

3) "according as each has received a gift" - (2 Cor. 8:12) do what you can.

4) "as good stewards" - (1 Cor. 4:2) be reliable, dependable, counted upon.

2. (Romans 12:6) "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given us ... " (v12) "... given to hospitality."

3. (1 Tim. 3:2) "... given to hospitality" - leaders, but not just the leaders.

(Titus 1:8) "But a lover of hospitality" - put your heart into it; want to; enjoy.

4. (Hebrews 13:1-2) "Let brotherly love continue.

Forget not to entertain strangers ("show love to strangers");
for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

"Continue" - it is not a one time action; it does not stop.

"Strangers" - illustrated in the parable of the Samaritan (Luke 10:29-37).

(v36-37) "Now which of these three, think thou, was neighbor to him that fell among thieves? And he said, He that showed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him. Go, and do thou likewise."

CLOSE - be ready, be watchful, and do it without murmuring.