

# Going through Hospitality

**(Hebrews 13:2)**

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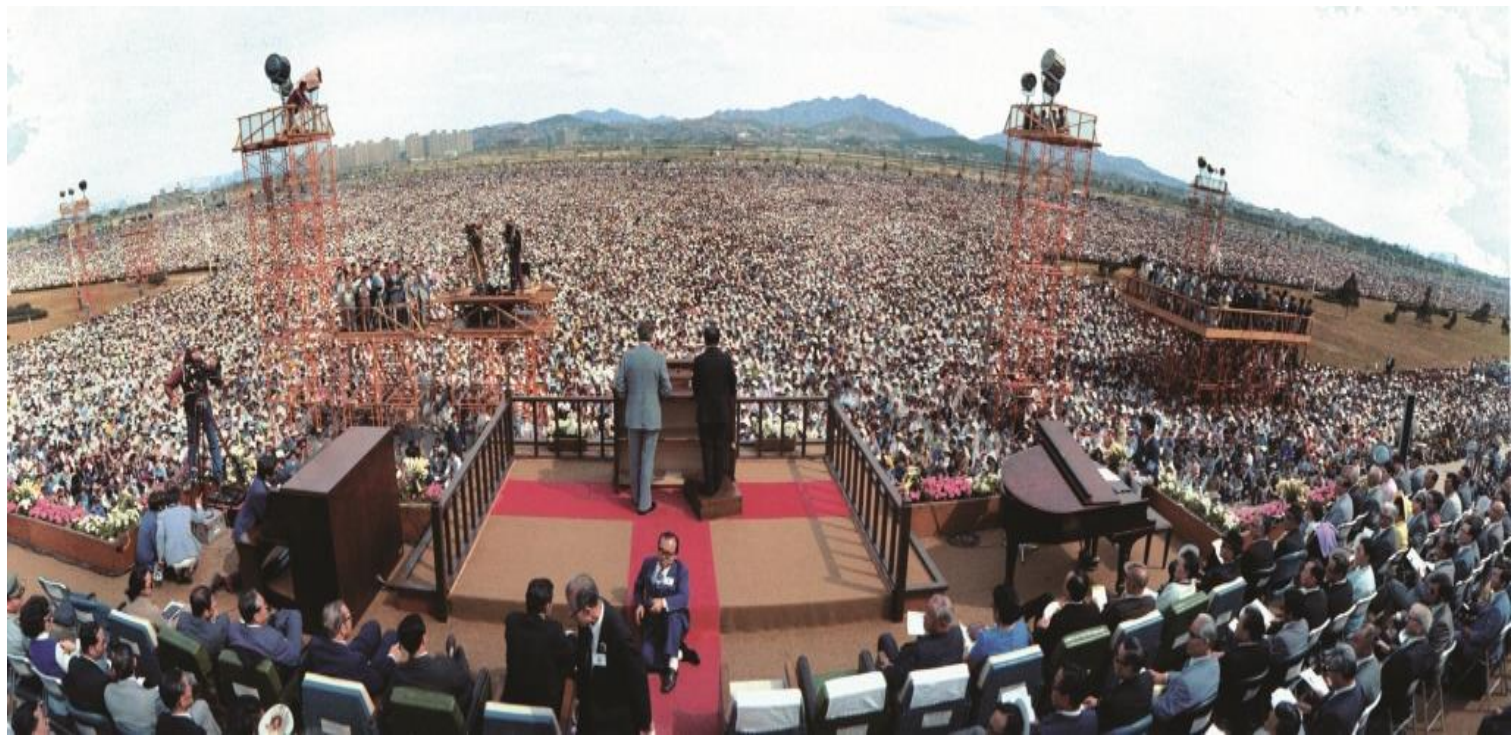






# Billy Kim





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## Hebrews 13:2 (NLT)

“Don’t forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it!”



# A Biblical Understanding of Hospitality

1. Hospitality is:

- welcoming strangers



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Hospitality and “Strangers” go together.

- Strangers are those who move from one culture to live in another.



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Hebrew words for stranger:

- GER
- TOSHAV
- ZAR
- NOCRI

All refer to people moving from one culture to another.



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Other English words for “stranger”:

- Alien
- Foreigner
- Sojourner
- International



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The New Testament word for stranger, “Xenos”, is equivalent to the Old Testament words.





# A Biblical Understanding of Hospitality

Hospitality is:

- a warm welcome
- sharing food and drink together
- sharing from the heart together



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2. Hospitality is a normative lifestyle for followers of Jesus.



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“Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.”

(Romans 12:13)



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“Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling.”

(1 Peter 4:8-9)



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“And if a stranger dwells with you in your land, you shall not mistreat him. The stranger who dwells among you shall be to you as one born among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I *am* the LORD your God.”

(Leviticus 19:33-34, NKJV)



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“The stranger has not stayed in the street, for I have opened my doors to the traveler.”

(Job 31:32, NLT)



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3. Hospitality is essential in the life of leaders.

- “Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach...” (1 Tim. 3:2)
- “An overseer... must be hospitable...” (Titus 1:7-8)



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4. Hospitality and discipleship go together.

- “The Son of Man came eating and drinking...” (Luke 7:34, NIV)





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- “The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and “sinners”.’”

(Luke 7:34, NIV)



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- Who we eat with deals with our mission.
- How often we eat with others reveals our priorities.
- How long our meals last will say a lot about our lifestyle.
- How we eat says something about the integration of our life.



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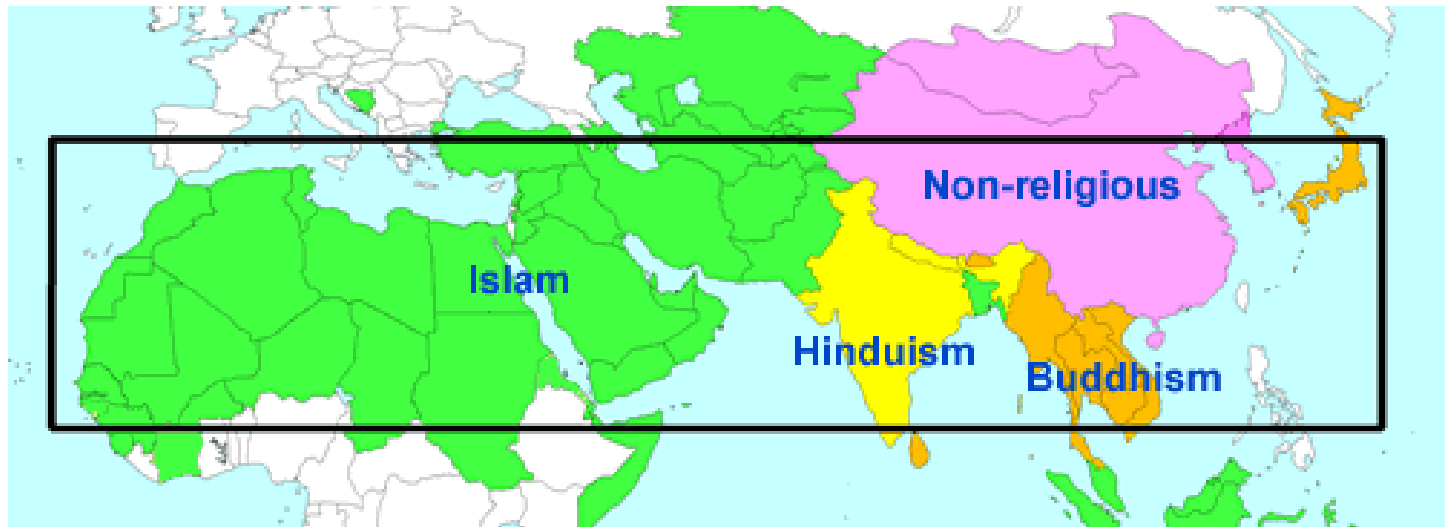
5. Hospitality opens the door for the advance of the Gospel to all the nations.

- “Your gates will always stand open, they will never be shut, day or night so that men will bring you the wealth of nations.”

(Isaiah 60:11)



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6. Hospitality opens the possibility of a special work of God in your life and a revival of the church.

- “...for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it!”  
(Hebrews 13:2)



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- Elijah and the widow at Zarephath  
(1 Kings 17)
- Elisha and the Shunammite woman  
(2 Kings 4)
- Martha, Mary, Lazarus  
(Luke 10, John 11)



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6. Hospitality and the revival of Christians.



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- Revival – a fresh experience with God
- Revival – supernatural encounter with God's power
- Revival – a return to basics
- Story of Gene Greene
- Revival – a prophetic call to be counter cultural
- Revival – repentance for the sins of greed, selfishness, materialism, individualism, work, idolatry

