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**Scripture:** Genesis 18:1-8

**Series:** Biblical Hospitality

**Title:** Attitude Check

**Genesis 18:1-8** - *The LORD appeared to Abraham near the great trees of Mamre while he was sitting at the entrance to his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup> Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he hurried from the entrance of his tent to meet them and bowed low to the ground. <sup>3</sup> He said, "If I have found favor in your eyes, my lord, do not pass your servant by. <sup>4</sup> Let a little water be brought, and then you may all wash your feet and rest under this tree. <sup>5</sup> Let me get you something to eat, so you can be refreshed and then go on your way—now that you have come to your servant." "Very well," they answered, "do as you say." <sup>6</sup> So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah. "Quick," he said, "get three seahs of fine flour and knead it and bake some bread." <sup>7</sup> Then he ran to the herd and selected a choice, tender calf and gave it to a servant, who hurried to prepare it. <sup>8</sup> He then brought some curds and milk and the calf that had been prepared, and set these before them. While they ate, he stood near them under a tree.*

People who eagerly practice hospitality:

**1. Take** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.1-2)

**2. Offer** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.3-5a)

**3. Over** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.5b-8)

1. How is your life different due to your commitment to practice an activity, hobby, sport, or other interest?
2. Can you say that hospitality has been something that you've eagerly and intentionally practiced? If so, how has it shown up in your life? If not, why not?
3. In what situations would you be most likely to initiate meeting a stranger? In what situations would you be least likely to initiate meeting a stranger?
4. Think of a time when you offered help to a stranger. How did they respond? What impact did your help have on their life?
5. Are you more inclined to practice hospitality over, under, or just whatever is needed? What do you see in Abraham's eager, hospitable, above-and-beyond actions that you'd like to see in greater ways in your life?
6. In what ways is your life better because Jesus eagerly practiced hospitality in the same three ways we've focused on today? How do you hope to see these same characteristics in your life in the coming days?