Sermon Notes:

1) Our hospitable God
   a. Leviticus 19:33-34
   b. Psalm 23:5
   c. Isaiah 25:6-8
   e. Ephesians 2:12-19
   f. Romans 15:7

2) The gospel comes with an invitation
   a. Leviticus 19:33-34
   b. Romans 15:7
   c. Mark 10:28-30

3) Hospitality and community
   a. 1 Peter 4:8-11
   b. Galatians 6:10
   c. Romans 12:13

4) Hospitality and mission
   a. Romans 12:13
   b. Hebrews 13:2

5) Moving down the line
   a. Stranger → Acquaintance → Relationship (from The Art of Neighboring)
   b. “Radically ordinary hospitality seeks to make strangers neighbors, and neighbors family of God.” (from The Gospel Comes with a House Key)

Questions for reflection and application (several of which are taken from The Simplest Way to Change the World by Willis and Clements):

* What are your main takeaways from filling out the neighbor chart?
* Are you more prone to view your home as a place of retreat or a tool for the Gospel? Why do you think that is?
* What are the main obstacles that hinder you from practicing hospitality?
* Is “hospitable” an adjective that you’ve ever thought of in reference to God? How has it been helpful for you to consider God’s hospitality?
* How should God’s hospitality toward us factor into our motivation for practicing biblical hospitality?
* What excuses do you make to avoid practicing biblical hospitality?
* What biblical truths do you need to remember to counter those objections?
* What next steps is the Lord prompting you to take to love your literal neighbors? How can you “move down the line” with some of them this week?