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Hospitality – Lesson 1

Intro: Our cultural divide ... The 5 W's & an H

The Who of Hospitality?

Example 1

Genesis 2:8 *And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed.*

Establishing the pattern of feasting in the presence of God

Example 2

Genesis 3:8-15 *"I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."*

Case Study 1

- Compare Genesis 18:1-8, 16 & 19:1-11, 17
 - Greeting
 - Washing
 - Meeting Physical Needs
 - Food
 - Rest
- Contrast
 - Surrounding Cast
 - Craving Physical Desires

Example 3

Exodus 24:1-11 ⁹Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, ¹⁰and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. ¹¹And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

Case Study 2

- Compare Exodus 24:14 & Exodus 32:1-14
 - Provision of Leadership
- Contrast
 - Making room in their lives for idols
 - Financial investment
 - Time Investment
 - Festival Investment

Example 4

Leviticus 19:9-10 & 33-34 “When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. ¹⁰And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the Lord your God. ... ³³“When a stranger sojourns with you in your land, you shall not do him wrong. ³⁴You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.

Example 5

Psalms 23:1-6 ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Example 6 - 50

Conclusion:

What is hospitality?

- Greek word – philoxenos (fil-ox'-en-os)
 - Philo – love of
 - Xenos – strangers or others

Modifying the Catechism – What is the chief end of your resources?