

Be a Host

Table Talk Series

Discussion Questions

- 1) Read Psalm 23. What has God done for us that inspires David to describe him as the host of a meal?
- 2) Why is it significant that God hosts this meal in “the presence of my enemies”?
- 3) Read Luke 7:36-39. Why does Simon invite Jesus to a meal? Who is this woman? Why does her behavior prompt such a judgmental conclusion by Simon?
- 4) Read Luke 7:40-43. Explain Jesus’ parable. What does his illustration teach Simon (us) about the gospel?
- 5) What happens to our faith if we think of ourselves the way Simon thinks about himself and his relationship with God?
- 6) Read Luke 7:44-50. Explain what the woman does that fulfills the responsibility of a host in that culture. Why did Simon ignore his social responsibility to Jesus?
- 7) What are the typical things that inhibit you from being a host? How would seeing your table as an expression of gratitude to God help overcome the things you mention?
- 8) Who is someone in your life you would like to honor? Name them and explain why. How could you use your table to do it?
- 9) What does it mean that a host “just shares who they are and what they have”? How did the woman in Luke 7 do this?
- 10) Make a plan with your group to host a meal for someone who needs:
 - a. to be celebrated just for being who they are
 - b. to experience provision and generosity
 - c. to hear the gospel