## SPIRITUAL LIFE MESSAGE



Song: "Reach Out and Touch" Prayer: As the Holy Spirit leads
Scripture: Mathew 25:35-39

## Meditation: Demonstrating Hospitality

Amy: Momma, can Lily and her mom and two sisters come to dinner tomorrow night. They live in a motel, and their mother can't cook food for them. They always have to eat food from McDonalds or go to a place that gives out free meals. In Church School on Sunday, Mrs. Blue said we should treat people the way we want to be treated. I wouldn't want to have to eat McDonalds every day or food that didn't taste good. Please, can they come eat with us? I told Lily I would ask you to fix dinner for them.
Momma: Amy, haven't I told you about inviting people to our house without asking me first. I don't know these people, and my food budget didn't expect anyone but us to be eating this week.
Amy: Oh, please Momma. Lily is always talking about how she misses eating good food. She said after her father died, they had to move into a motel. Please, can they come to dinner. I'll give up my allowance for the whole month if you say yes, and I'll help clean up. Please, can I tell Lily they can come to dinner.
Momma: Let me talk to your dad when he gets home. We'll
have to think about it, and it won't be tomorrow night. I'm gonna have to go to the grocery store if we have company.
That night, Momma and Dad talked about Amy's request. Momma also told Dad about how Amy brought up her Church School lesson. They had some concerns about inviting strangers into their home. With all the mean and crazy people in the world today, would they be putting their family at risk if they said yes to Amy?
After reading a few passages in Matthew and Mark, and praying together, Momma and Dad agreed they would trust God and invite Amy's friend, Lily, and her family to dinner. They told Amy to invite Lily and her family to dinner on Saturday.
As I digest the actions of Amy and her parents, many thoughts invade my mind. They demonstrated what I consider radical hospitality. Amy saw a need that she could not resolve by herself but was resourceful and went to her mom. Momma and Dad had some fears, but trusted God, and did not let those fears interfere with their execution of radical hospitality.
Prayer: Dear Heavenly Father, please help us to execute radical hospitality when You place opportunities in our path. Help us to trust You to give provision and protection when we obey Your word. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.
Thought of Encouragement: Trust God to give you everything needed to extend radical hospitality and ask the Holy Spirit to help you see the opportunities when they appear.

## FEBRUARY HEART MONTH WORD SEARCH ANSWERS

## Polishing Your Communication Power

1. Apologetics 2. Parlance 3. Portico
a. a structure consisting of a roof supported by columns at regular intervals, typically attached to a building.
b. a particular way of speaking or using Words
c. reasoned arguments or writings in justification of something, typically a theory or religious doctrine

Last Month Answers
1.b 2. c 3.d 4.a

| Aorta | Courage | Inotropes | Philia |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Arrythmia | Cyanopathy | Lurar | Quiddity |
| Attack | Eros | Myocarditis | Transplant |
| Capillary | Exorious |  |  |
| Clotting | Fondness | Pyocemaker | Viscera |

