

Let the Feast Begin:
Flourishing in the Fellowship of the Family of God
1 Peter 4:7-11
Part 6
Our Hospitable Homes
1 Peter 4:9 & Acts 2:42, 46-47

Introduction:

The Natural Habitat & True Battlefield of Christian Living

I. Our Hospitable Hearts: *A Brief Review*

*A Mindset that our
personal, material dwelling place & possessions
are happily & generously available
as instruments of God's grace to all people*

II. Our Hospitable Homes: *Christian Growth & Gladness will Flourish in Homes filled with:*

A. Hearty Christian **Fellowship**. Acts 2:42,46-47; Col. 3:15-17

Focused Activity & Not-so-focused Activity

B. Loving Christian **Ministry**. 1 Peter 4:7-11

Nothing less than Fulfilling the Law of Christ

C. Effective Christian **Evangelism**. Matthew 9:9-13

Developing a Christ-like Reputation

D. Flourishing Christian **Families**.

Bringing our Children to Church & Bringing the Church to our Children

E. Glad Christian **Feasting**.

Don't Dishonor God's Lavish Generosity with Half-hearted Festivity

1 Peter 4:7-11

7 But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. 8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for “love will cover a multitude of sins.” 9 Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. 10 As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 11 If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Acts 2:42, 46-47

42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

[43 Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. 44 Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, 45 and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.]

46 So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.