

4. How can we actively practice and promote shalom in our daily lives, relationships, and communities, based on the teachings and principles explained by the Bible Project's depiction of shalom in the scriptures?

5. Read Matthew 10:40-42. How can we apply this principle of welcoming and receiving others with a sense of welcoming God himself in our daily interactions and relationships?

6. To whom can we extend hospitality this week?

### The Mission

"Worthy"

Matthew 10:9-15, 40-42

Our mission is to declare with words and demonstrate with works the good news of God's grace in Christ in our everyday lives.

### Worthy – Axios

Verse 10: "the worker is worth his keep"

Verse 11: "search there for some worthy person"

Verse 13: "if the home is deserving/worthy"

Verse 13: "if it is not (worthy)"

"Worthy is a word that Matthew loves, and consistently is used in the context of receptivity to the gospel and its messengers and has little to do with other abstract principles of worth or value." (FD Bruner)

A worthy person does not refer to the famous elite, or the one with high moral standards, or even religious degrees, but indicates someone who responds \_\_\_\_\_ to the message of Jesus.

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Where is God leading you with your BLESS list this week?



1. Worthy: Be \_\_\_\_\_.

Hospitality is how you make someone feel. Hospitality is simply an \_\_\_\_\_ to show love and care.

2. Worthy: Extend \_\_\_\_\_ to the community.

Shalom is taking what is broken and restoring it to \_\_\_\_\_.

Extending shalom brings \_\_\_\_\_ in our lives, in our relationships, and the world by showing humility, patience, and unity in love.

### **Personal Reflection & Small Group Questions**

Please complete this study on your own, then bring it to your small group for discussion.

1. Looking back over your notes from this week's sermon, what particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

2. Describe a situation in which you forgot to bring your wallet, lost your luggage, or encountered a change of plans. How was this resolved?

3. What opportunities do you have to extend hospitality to those around you?