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Seeing “Them” as “Us”

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Review:

- Each person you see is made in the image of God, given him or her unsurpassable, inherent worth and dignity.
- We often have a hard time seeing it because we are all covered with the mud of sin, hurt and circumstances.
- God’s goal is to reveal the masterpiece under the mud and restore our relationships with God, ourselves, others, and the world to Shalom (peace).

Being effective will require a life-giving church _____.

Culture: The spoken or unspoken rules, behaviors and attitudes in a group that cause us to do what we do.

- It might be the most powerful _____ in your life.
- Culture can be _____ or _____.

Life-giving culture doesn't happen by _____...

...But draining culture does.

The early church was a life-giving culture. (Acts 2:42-46, 4:32-35)

(We have the same mission as the early church.)

Three Characteristics of a Life-Giving Culture

Hebrews 13:1-3

1. It's a culture of _____ community. (vs. 1)

"_____ " = love as brothers and sisters

- Not only do we _____ each other, we _____ each other.

2. It's a culture of radical _____. (vs. 2)

"Philoxenia" = philo (love) + xenos (_____)

The goal of Biblical hospitality is seeing " _____ " as " _____."

The church must be a place where people can _____ before they _____.

3. It's a culture of unrivaled _____. (vs. 3)

Prisoner here means "someone in _____."

"Vulnerable" can be:

- Those in prison
- The family of prisoners
- Single moms
- Children in poverty
- People with disabilities
- People with mental illness

"We" can't do it without " _____!"