



INTRODUCTION

We conclude our five-week *Your Next Step* series this weekend with “Invite Boldly.” In the first four weeks, we were challenged to Attend Regularly, Serve Purposefully, Connect Relationally and Give Generously. Pastor John reminds us in this final message of the series that Inviting Boldly is a critical next step for No Matter followers.

DISCUSSION

1. Oftentimes, gratitude is a foundational attitude for spurring us on to action. Think about who invited you to church to hear the Gospel message and share about that experience among your group. Spend time in prayer, thanking God that through the power of the Holy Spirit, someone invited you or your family to church.
2. How does the fact that someone invited you - or your parent or grandparent - at some point in your ancestry embolden you to do that for someone else?
3. **Read Psalm 34:8.** Spend time conversing about the hope you have in Christ and why we want others to also “taste and see” the Lord’s goodness.
4. “Come Sit with Me” is a phrase Pastor John encourages us to embrace. Engage in dialogue about specific places you/your family can invite people to sit with you in your targeted Little Iowa. Who is already “sitting with you” whom you can now ask to “Come Sit” with you at church?

DO SOMETHING

1. Every day this week, pray a prayer of thanksgiving to God that someone brought or invited you to church. Ask God to keep you attuned to inviting others, and if there is someone right now whom He wants you to invite, ask Him for strength and courage to do so.
2. Begin praying the **Ephesians 3:14-21** prayer for the person/people in your Little Iowa whom you would like to Invite Boldly. Pray this prayer over them whenever you think of or see them.
3. Write down your greatest fears with inviting. **Read Joshua 1:9.** Then, release your inviting fears to the Lord in prayer, asking Him to replace your fears with God-based courage.

RESOURCES

1. Read [this excellent question/answer format blog](#) from Life.Church on how to invite people to church.
2. Pick up an “Invite Boldly” packet at your PLC Campus Next Steps Center, which includes helpful tips, resources and encouragements toward prayer.
3. Read the “This Invitational Life” plan by Steve Carter, available on the YouVersion Bible app.