

# TIPS FOR MAKING GREAT INVITATIONS

## "I just want other people to experience the same joy that I felt... and if I can help them find God, then why not?"

## -Angel Mariscal Bakersfield College, Delano Campus

### Tips for You (The Inviter)

- Know why you are inviting your friends.
  - You love your friends
  - You long for them to encounter Jesus for themselves
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- Know the barriers you face to making bold and winsome invitations.
  - Fear of rejection (people might say no!)
  - Fear of being awkward
  - Being busy, not prioritizing it or being intentional
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- Be intentional: Plan when, where, how, and who you will invite.

#### Tips for Making Your Invitation:

• Avoid "Christiany" language that carries baggage or that your friends won't understand. "Bible study" could mean a variety of things to your friends, but it probably won't mean for them what it does for you.

Instead of "I'm having a Bible study" try "I'm hosting a discussion group talking about the life of Jesus."

• Give them all of the important details like time and location.

A flier with all of the info can be really helpful here too.

• Make sure to communicate personally and specifically why this will be good for them.

"I'm hosting a discussion group on the life of Jesus this Thursday night and you're one of the first people I thought about inviting. I know that you're a really spiritual person and I always appreciate your perspective on things. I'd love for you to come!"