



### Message Review

We don't know what others are walking through. The person you sit next to or pass in the lobby might be battling an internal struggle. The good news is in a family, there are no strangers. Everyone should feel known and valued. It's up to each one of us to make sure this happens. BCC is for these cities and for all people. Let's adopt a "no strangers policy".

Let me be clear – being for all people doesn't mean we are for what every person chooses to do, but that we are for their humanity. View everyone through the lens God sees them, offering them the love God offers. Love looks past a person's issues and sees their humanity.

The intent of this entire series has been to get people to connect with one another and make a large church seem a little smaller. Relationships are our priority. Discipleship happens best through relationships. We must be willing to do what it takes to build and protect these relationships for the sake of everyone's faith journey. *A representative of Christ denies themselves for the benefit of someone else. #bccBIGidea*

A "no strangers policy" requires us to embrace the awkwardness of speaking to someone we don't yet know. How will we reach these cities and all people if we cannot get uncomfortable so someone else feels welcome?

### Reset Prayer

Father,

Your love is the purest of all and You see people as souls who need Your love. I am one of those needy souls that You love! Through Your love, help me to see others as You see them. Help me not to judge through earthly circumstances. Help me to be so filled with love and discernment that I know how to make someone feel welcomed into Your family.

Amen.

### Scriptures to Pray Through

Luke 19:1-10 – Jesus and everyone in the crowd knew what Zacchaeus had done, but the crowd didn't know what Zacchaeus was battling inside. What a difference the love of Jesus makes!

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 – We are motivated by Christ's love to live out the ministry of reconciliation, viewing others through God's eyes and not by our earthly understandings.

1 John 4:19-20 – Our claim to love God is lived out through how we show love to others.

Consider the [Five Proper Biblical Interpretation Questions](#).

(Available at the link above or on the Resource page on BCC's website.)

### Suggestions for the Week

Be specific: How can you adopt the "no strangers policy" TODAY, this week, and next Sunday?

Do you have a fun God-moment from a Sunday Lunch experience? [Share it with us HERE!](#)



Prayer is the number one factor when seeking to bring Christ to others.

Monday Morning Prayer, 6-9am – Worship Center – Guided prayer, 8:30-9am (also on Facebook Live).