

THE *Big 3*

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There may be no more appropriately suited time of year than Thanksgiving to express our gratitude for all that God has blessed us with in this life—and no better way to express our thankfulness than by sharing it with others.

Here are 3 things to believe and consider about including new “family” at your table this year...

1. **Don't worry about trying to pull off the “perfect” dinner!** A place at the table and flexibility are the key things to remember. When you open up a space at *your* table for someone, it is like they are being invited to “God’s table”... because, in fact, they are!
2. **Treat everyone like FAMILY, not like guests.** When people ask, “*What can I bring?*”, tell them it would be great if they brought a family favorite or traditional meal that they love or beverages if that’s easier, but don’t say, “*Oh nothing... I’ve got it all handled...*” A good, healthy family all pitch in to share and create great meals and traditions. Let your “new family” help and share and be included as if they’ve been around for years.
3. **Get started inviting people now.** Grab your phone, and give them a quick call. Even if you think they may say “no” or have a commitment already, your invitation (telling them you are thankful for them and why you’d love to have them) is going to be a blessing to these folks even if they cannot make it to your dinner. Let God surprise you with what He will do. :-)

In light of today's topics, you might find these posts and videos helpful:

- [Stop Hiding Your Imperfections](#)
- [Why You Should Treat Everyone Like Family](#)

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