

# GOD WELCOMES ALL

FAMILY DEVOTION

40 “Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. 41 Whoever welcomes a prophet as a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person as a righteous person will receive a righteous person’s reward. 42 And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.”

Matthew 10:40-42

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As Christians, we should be people who gladly welcome others in the name of Christ. We want to communicate God's love to all people, and let them know they are valued and cared about.

Sometimes we find that people are divided because how they look or who their friends are. Maybe you've been to a new school and it is difficult to feel welcome because everyone already knows each other. Or you try a new sport and the other athletes are already excellent at the sport. Maybe you've been on the other side of this. This is a great opportunity to show the people you do not know that they are cared for! In this passage, we see that as people of God, we are called to welcome others despite their differences to us.

**How can we be a welcoming presence to all people in our lives?**

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DEAR GOD,  
WE ASK THAT YOU REMIND US  
THAT WE ARE LOVED. HELP US  
LOVE OTHERS THE WAY YOU LOVE  
US.  
AMEN!

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