Holy Habits: Eating Together – week 12

Hello everyone,

      I’m reminded of an occasion two or three years ago when Jean and I stayed at a Bed and Breakfast on the edge of a small town in Scotland. Our first sight of this accommodation wasn’t particularly encouraging. It was a council house type building in a long terrace and, in an area renowned for its views, we had no view at all from our bedroom window. It felt disappointing, to say the least.

       However everything was scrupulously clean, and our hosts were amazingly welcoming and gracious in giving us the run of their home and sharing their home with us. We spent an evening with them in their living room celebrating the husband’s birthday and the breakfasts we had while there were terrific.

     When it came time to move on, I thought of this verse from the book of Hebrews to help me write something in the visitors’ book. “Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it.” (Heb 13:2). In the visitors’ book, I wrote that we had been entertained by angels and we really knew it in the end. It turned out to be a real blessing and a place we’ll never forget.

     That’s all to say really except a reminder that hospitality is a regular feature in the New Testament and a willingness on our part, both to entertain and to be entertained, may well bring us into the presence of angels.

         God bless,

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