

## ***It's A Wonderful Life* Dinner Theater**

### **Extending the Invitation**

1. **Pray!** Ask God for direction on whom to invite — He already knows!
2. Buy their tickets.
3. Invite your guests.
4. Offer to pick up your guests.
5. If your guests have children, offer to pay for or supply a sitter.
6. **Pray!** Ask God to touch the hearts and minds of those you have invited.
7. **Pray!** Ask for wisdom throughout your conversations.

### **After the Performance**

1. Following the event: Start informal discussion on the way home if comfortable (see Discussion Starters below).
2. **Listen!** Ask questions and actively *listen* for their responses. This will guide your discussion.
3. Suggest some hangout time over coffee/dessert at coffee shop or your home after the performance to develop an honest conversation (see Discussion Starters below).
4. **Be patient!** Plan to *continue* your discussion at a later date . . . a few days or a week later, or even over a few future meetings. You are preparing soil and planting seeds, someone else may get to harvest what the Holy Spirit has initiated through you.

### **Discussion Starters:**

#### **Reference – The title *It's a Wonderful Life***

1. Is life “wonderful” for you right now?
2. What’s the best thing going on in your life? OR...What’s holding you back in life right now?

#### **Reference – George Bailey asking Mr. Potter for money**

1. Have you ever felt hopeless like George did?
2. What do you think happens to us when we die?
3. What about you? How do you know where you’re going after you die?

#### **Reference – Clarence, the angel**

1. How do you think your life has impacted others like Clarence said it does?
2. What do you think God’s part in that was?

#### **Reference – George Bailey’s desperate prayer**

1. Have you ever felt desperate enough to pray to God like George did?
2. What was it like? Did you feel any relief or get anything that seemed like an answer to your prayer?
3. If you believe God communicates with us, how do you think he shows us what to do?