

**Coming Home** - a gameplan for leading somebody Home.

This is an outline of the journey somebody needs to walk to come to a place of being planted in the house of God, but also mature in their relationship with God.

Each facet of the journey is critical and we need to zoom in on each of these steps and make sure each step is taken. If one or more of these steps in the journey is weak, then it could cause the whole journey to break down.

The goal is to get people into the Kitchen. The kitchen is where people grow most effectively.

## Overview

**Billboards** - *becoming an invitation. Every person's life becomes an invitation to draw near.* "Your life is a billboard." The way we live will either draw somebody closer to Jesus and His Body or push them away. Are each and every one of us drawing people closer to God? \*This is our goal in discipleship or people development. **Are people becoming more Christ like? Are people seeing Christ through us?**

**The Door** - *creating connection points with people.* Creating a non-threatening connection point for people with us and God. We need to make the environment as safe as possible. Give them a peek into who we are as a community of believers. Have a variety of connection points so that we can connect with a variety of people. \***Example of a door** or connection point is the Women's breakfast which is a great intermediate connection point that draws people closer to God and the church.

**The Table** - *an encounter with the Father's heart.* It doesn't help that somebody visited during a Sunday service but there was no encounter or no feast to partake of. **The significance of the encounter determines if they will return.** \***Sunday services** are our main feasting time. Everything we do on a Sunday should facilitate people encountering the Father's heart.

**The Lounge** - *the follow-up encounter* - There is a war for people's hearts. Often people loved church, and said that they will definitely be back, and then we never see them again? How come? For there is a war for people's hearts. We need to **lead people by the hand** to their next encounter with God and His children. How will we do this? \*Examples of the lounge is our small groups and also F1:Perspective and F2:Community.

**The Kitchen** - *growth happens in the kitchen* \***The fire is in the kitchen.** Growth happens in the kitchen. When people get involved, then they begin to truly grow. Yet when they begin to take ownership, then they enter the highest level of sustainable growth. \*It is more than just being an usher, when somebody takes ownership of that ministry, then they begin to pour themselves into it. Ownership compels us to seek God and find empowerment from Him so that life change would happen in that ministry. It causes us to grow significantly. **We need to get everybody into the kitchen!**

# Coming Home

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## Billboards

Becoming an invitation

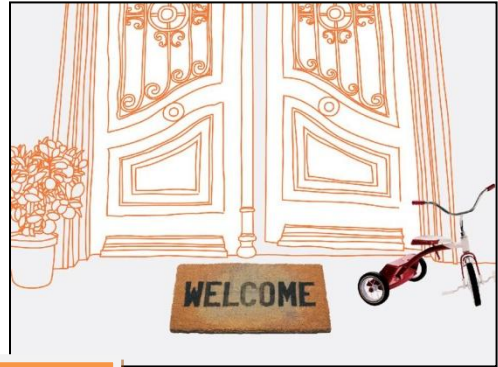


Friendship

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## The Door

Creating connection points

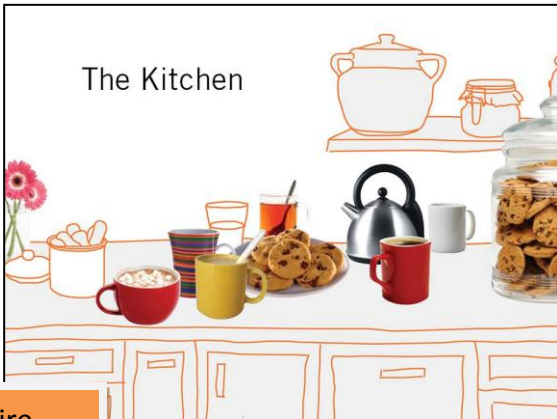


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## The Kitchen

Growth happens in the kitchen



Fire

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## The Table

An encounter with the Father's heart



Feast

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## The Lounge

The follow-up encounter

The Lounge



Family