WHAT IS SO GREAT ABOUT LIVING ROOM?

We are taught that:

The gospel stories show how Jesus brought his Father’s love to those the world wanted nothing to do with. One overriding feature was present in all those Jesus came to heal, whether they suffered physically or emotionally. All were rejected in some way by the world they lived in—the sick, the disabled, prostitutes, tax collectors, sinners of all kinds.

Jesus came for those who were rejected and he calls us to be there for those who are being rejected in our world today. He did not only heal them physically, but he also healed them spiritually by assuring them of God’s love and their worth. We, as Jesus’ followers, can best help the rejected of our day by supporting them spiritually as he did.

At its most basic, good support involves acceptance, being kind, and taking the time to listen, learning to understand their needs. Listening by itself alone can work wonders for those who need to feel better about themselves.

When we encourage rejected individuals spiritually by assuring them of God’s love through words and action, they will begin to see themselves as the worthy human beings they are. They will grow in confidence—able to develop lives that are completer and more whole. They will start feeling like they belong.

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