1000 cups of tea (and maybe some köfte)
I do not honor you because I want you to become a Christian,

I want you to become a Christian because I honor you.
People don't remember how I preach, they remember how I pastor (Mike F)
It was through hours and hours of spending time with people in their homes, over meals, just being together, that we see the path to the gospel Jesus trod with them.
Whatever they talked about at the dinner table led to a level of trust and openness that brought Zacchaeus’ heart to a steeping point of hearing and receiving the gospel Jesus shared with him.
The single desire of our hearts can be expressed in a thousand ways, through the loss, beliefs, pain, shame, hopes, dreams, failures, fears, through a thousand scripts of life, over a thousand cups of tea.
We are a community of faith.

We are also a faith of community.

Let’s drink more unscheduled tea!
And he said to Jesus, Who is my neighbor? (Luke 10:29)
We can step back and see the tapestry that God is weaving in our lives and we testify of the gospel to our lost neighbors, and we continue to abide in Him in this process.

Our testimony is a living testimony by definition. Life is breathed into the words of witness of those who are in Christ.

The person of the Holy Spirit gets us ready. He prepares us. He speaks to us even as we are conversing with our neighbors.

We are living breathing walking stories of the gospel.

We need to honor our neighbors, for them to see the gospel in our lives, in ALL areas of our lives.
BEN ASMAYİM,
siz çubuklarınızı.

BENTE
KALAN
ve benim kendisinde kaldığım
kızı çok meyve verir.
BENSİZ
HİÇBİR ŞEY
YAPAMAZSINIZ.

Yuhanna 15:5
Cultivate a heart of expectation, a will to obey, and a practice of doing it immediately.
Conversing the gospel

We need to remember that the story of the gospel (telling the gospel) weaves naturally and often somewhat randomly within our daily conversations, infused (and therefore infusing) topics, questions, and our personal testimonies, all of which relate to our lives, our neighbors’ lives, and the gospel message.

I can spend an hour talking with a guy and come away with 5 minutes of incredible fruitful gospel conversation (Scott L)
A more excellent way:

1 Corinthians 13

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels but have not love I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. (v.1)