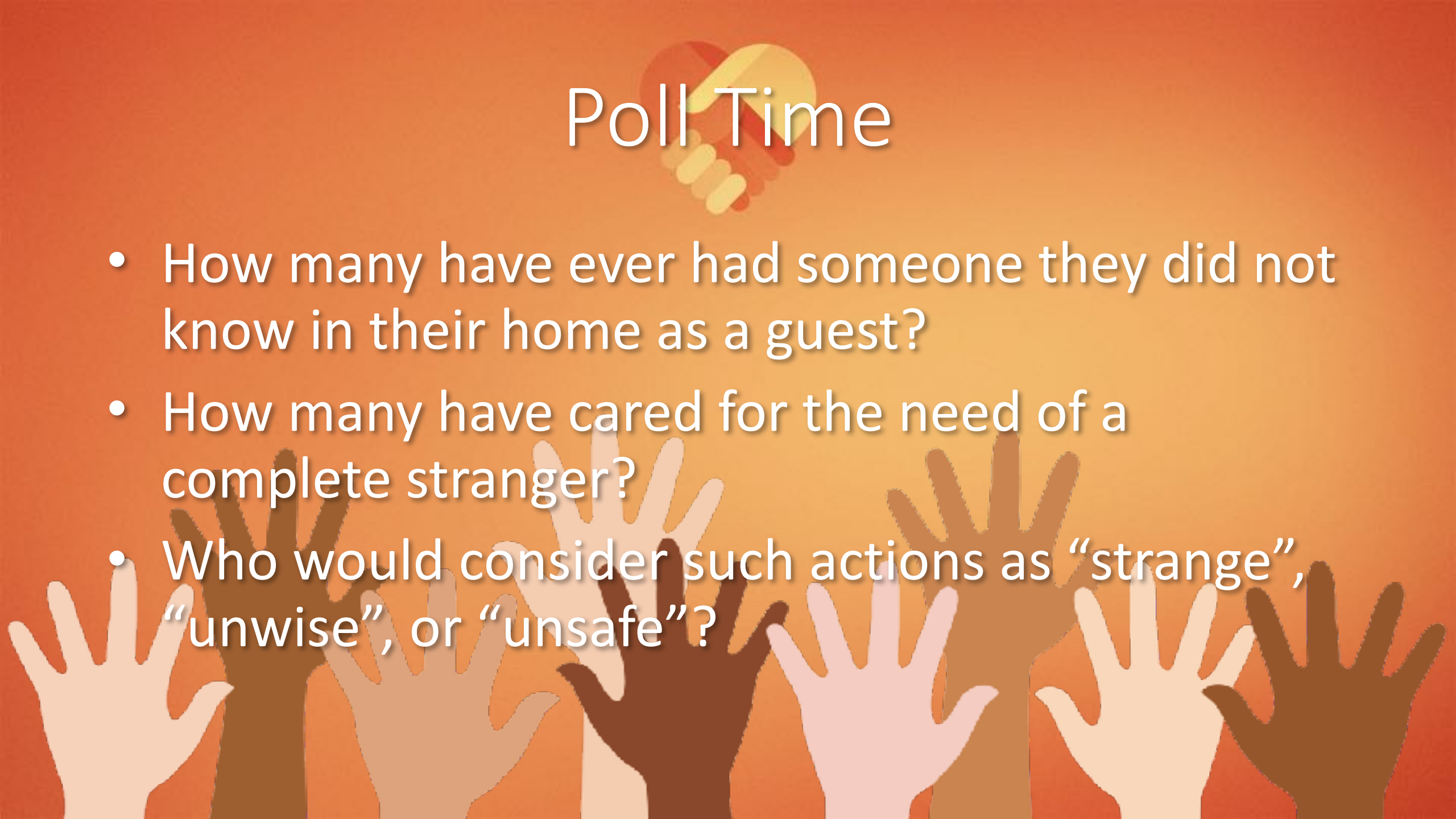
STRANGER LOVE

AN ACT OF HOSPITALITY

Poll Time

- How many have ever had someone they did not know in their home as a guest?
- How many have cared for the need of a complete stranger?
- Who would consider such actions as “strange”, “unwise”, or “unsafe”?



Loving A Stranger is Hard Enough

Luke 10:29ff

- It causes us to be vulnerable
- It causes us to think beyond our own needs or desires.

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NO EASY ANSWERS

Hospitality: The Lost Commandment

- Part of pre-Mosaic culture.
  Gen. 18:1-5
- Commanded to Israelites.
  Deut. 10:12-19
- Fundamental to Christianity.
  Rom. 12:13; Heb. 13:2; Matt. 25:31ff

As God's workmanship

- Our very purpose of following Christ is to reflect God's love upon those we're trying to reach: the strangers to God. Eph. 2:10, 19

Matt 25:31-46