



Parable of the Great Banquet Luke 14:12-24

Something to Start Us Off

- Who do people usually invite to their parties?

Something to Notice

- In v.12, Jesus is speaking “to the man who invited him.” Who is that? (Hint: We have to look at the opening verse in the chapter.)
- What kind of people does Jesus say we should invite when we give a feast (14:13)?
- In the story Jesus tells, who ultimately gets invited to the great banquet (14:21-24)

Something to Understand

In v.15 we see the line that prompts Jesus to tell the Great Banquet story. Keep that in mind as we talk about those who give excuses and those who come to the banquet at the end.

- Jesus offers a motivation for inviting certain kinds of people to our dinners in v.14. How often do you think we usually make decisions in that way?
- What do you think the various excuses people give for not wanting to attend the great banquet that the man in the story is giving?
- Can you think of a lesson we learn from these people who will not attend?
- Now what about those who do attend? Is there a lesson in them for us to learn?

Something to Take Home

- Based on our study of this section of Luke 14, what lessons do you think we learn about who will find their way into the kingdom of God?
- Is there anything else this look at Luke 14:12-24 that you especially want to remember for future reference? Can you explain why?