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March 30, 2025 | Luke 14:12-24



Observations from Luke 14:12-24:

What is happening here?

Context:

- The Wedding Feast (humility): v7-11
- Parable of the Great Banquet: v12-24
 - **True Hospitality**: v12-14 | *Give without expecting anything in return.*
 - The Banquet Invitation: v15-17 | Sent to a select few (God's people).
 - Excuses Are Made: v18-20 | Distracted / busy with other things.
 - **The Invitation Widens:** v21-24 | *Invitation to the misfits and beyond.*
- The Cost of Discipleship (carry the cross): v25-33

Connections with Other Parables

- Parable of the Wedding Feast: Matthew 22 | Invitation from few to all.
- Parable of the Lost Son (Prodigal): Luke 15 | *The father throws a banquet*.
- Parable of the Ten Virgins: Matthew 25 | Wait for the bridegroom / feast.

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Lessons from Luke 14:12-24:

What can we learn (interpret) from this?

• God's Kingdom is Abundant Grace

- Grace is freely extended to all-especially the unexpected.
 - Reference Verse(s): Romans 5:6-8, Isaiah 55:1, Ephesians 2:8-10

• Don't Make Excuses, Respond

- Excuses reflect our priorities. God's invitation is now.
 - Reference Verse(s): Luke 8:14, Philippians 3:8

· God's Heart Is for All, Even Misfits

- o God's table includes the marginalized, the rejected, and the outsider.
 - Reference Verse(s): Luke 15:4-7, Luke 5:31-32, Luke 14:23

Application from Luke 14:12-24:

How can I apply / live this out?

Remove the Obstacles / Excuses

- Name what is distracting you from fully following Christ.
 - Reference Verse(s): Hebrews 12:1, Matthew 10:39

· Accept the Invitation and Respond

- Don't delay. Receive the grace of God today.
 - Reference Verse(s): Revelation 3:20, 2 Corinthians 6:2

• Be a Servant Who Extends the Invitation

- Go to the highways and hedges. Share the Gospel in love.
 - Reference Verse(s): Matthew 28:19, Luke 14:23, 2 Corinthians 5:20

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