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Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: ² "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son.

Matthew 22:1-2 (NIV)

³ He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come.

Matthew 22:3 (NIV)

⁴ "Then he sent some more servants and said, 'Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.'

⁵ "But they paid no attention and went off—one to his field, another to his business. ⁶ The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them.

Matthew 22:4-5 (NIV)

⁷The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

Matthew 22:7 (NIV)

Three Groups and Three Essential Truths of the Kingdom...

First Group: The _____ of God

First Truth: Rejecting God's invitation brings

⁸ "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. ⁹ So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' ¹⁰ So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people

they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

Matthew 22:8-10 (NIV)

Second Group: Those	of God
Second Truth: The Kingdom	comes with
	to see the guests, he noticed a
	ing wedding clothes. ¹² He asked,
'How did you get in here with	out wedding clothes, friend?' The
man was speechless.	
¹³ "Then the king told the atte	endants, 'Tie him hand and foot,
and throw him outside, into t	he darkness, where there will be
weeping and gnashing of tee	th.'
¹⁴ "For many are invited, but J	few are chosen."
	Matthew 22:11-1
Third Group: Those who	on God's
Third Truth: The Kingdom co	mes with
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