

THE POWER OF INVITATION

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¹² “[Behold], I am coming soon, bringing my reward with me to repay all people according to their deeds. ¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.”

¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes. They will be permitted to enter through the gates of the city and eat the fruit from the tree of life. ¹⁵ Outside the city are the dogs—the sorcerers, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idol worshipers, and all who love to live a lie.

¹⁶ “I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this message for the churches. I am both the source of David and the heir to his throne. I am the bright morning star.”

¹⁷ The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” Let anyone who hears this say, “Come.” Let anyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who desires drink freely from the water of life.

Revelation 22:12–17 (NLT)

WHY PEOPLE ARE EXCITED TO BE INVITED

1. We are inviting the ALREADY INVITED!

“I, the Lord, invite you to come and talk it over; no matter how deep the stain of your sins, I can take it out and make you as clean as freshly fallen snow. Even if you are stained as red as crimson, I can make you white as wool!” (Isaiah 1:18, CEV/The Living Bible)

““Is anyone thirsty? Come and drink— even if you have no money! Come, take your choice of wine or milk— it’s all free! Why spend your money on food that does not give you strength? Why pay for food that does you no good? Listen to me, and you will eat what is good. You will enjoy the finest food. “Come to me with your ears wide open. Listen, and you will find life. I will make an everlasting covenant with you. I will give you all the unfailing love I promised to David.” (Isaiah 55:1–3, NLT)

“Then Jesus said, “Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” (Matthew 11:28, NLT)

“As Jesus walked by, John looked at him and declared, “[Behold]! There is the Lamb of God!” When John’s two disciples heard this, they followed Jesus. Jesus looked around and saw them following. “What do you want?” he asked them. They replied, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” “Come and see,” he said...” (John 1:36–39, NLT)

“Jesus called out to them, “Come, follow me, and I will show you how to fish for people!”” (Matthew 4:19, NLT)

2. We are inviting people to a **SERVICE** so they can **MEET A SAVIOR!**

*"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."
(Revelation 22:13, NLT)*

*"Who has done such mighty deeds, summoning each new generation from the beginning of time? It is I, the Lord, the First and the Last. I alone am he."
(Isaiah 41:4, NLT)*

I am the bright morning star...(16)

*"Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life."
(John 8:12, NLT)*

3. We have been **COMMISSIONED BY THE COMMANDER** to invite.

The Spirit **AND THE BRIDE** say, Come! (17)

*"And when [the Spirit] comes, **he will convict the world** of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment."
(John 16:8, NLT)*

*"...Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her to make her holy and clean, washed by the cleansing of God's word. He died so that he could give **the church** to himself **like a bride** in all her beauty..."
(Ephesians 5:25-27, NLT/NCV)*

*"'Well, then,' said his master, 'go out into the country lanes and out behind the hedges and **urge anyone you find to come**, so that [my] house will be full.'
(Luke 14:23, The Living Bible)*

NEXT STEPS

**Pray for and INVITE someone to
Easter AND PEACE 1-DAY!**