



When one of those who reclined at the table with him heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is the one who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!"

Then he told him, "A man was giving a large banquet and invited many. ¹⁷ At the time of the banquet, he sent his servant to tell those who were invited...

A MAN A BANQUET A SERVANT

A MAN	JESUS	
A BANQUET		
A SERVANT		

A MAN	JESUS	
A BANQUET	SALVATION	
A SERVANT		

A MAN	JESUS	
A BANQUET	SALVATION	
A SERVANT	DISCIPLES	

A MAN	JESUS	GOD
A BANQUET	SALVATION	
A SERVANT	DISCIPLES	

A MAN	JESUS	GOD
A BANQUET	SALVATION	SALVATION
A SERVANT	DISCIPLES	

A MAN	JESUS	GOD
A BANQUET	SALVATION	SALVATION
A SERVANT	DISCIPLES	JESUS

A BANQUET

SALVATION

SALVATION

FULFILLMENT IN THE FUTURE BUT PARADOXICALLY A PRESENT REALITY

...INVITED MANY...THOSE WHO WERE INVITED

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NATION OF ISRAEL?

JEWISH LEADERS?

17... to tell those who were invited, 'Come, because everything is now ready.' 18a "But without exception they all began to make excuses.

18b...The first one said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. I ask you to excuse me.' 19 "Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I'm going to try them out. I ask you to excuse me.' 20 "And another said, 'I just got married, and therefore I'm unable to come.

THE "EXCUSES" REVEAL THAT THERE IS SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT TO THE "ONES INVITED" THAN BEING AT THE BANQUET.

Then he said to them all, "If anyone wants to follow after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow me. ²⁴ For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life because of me will save it. ²⁵ For what does it benefit someone if he gains the whole world, and yet loses or forfeits himself?"

²¹ "So the servant came back and reported these things to his master. Then in anger, the master of the house told his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the city, and bring in here the poor, maimed, blind, and lame.'"

²² "'Master,' the servant said, 'what you ordered has been done, and there's still room.' ²³ "Then the master told the servant, 'Go out into the highways and hedges and make them come in, so that my house may be filled."

Luke 14 ²⁴ "For I tell you, not one of those people who were invited will enjoy my banquet."

GOD / JESUS

• GREAT BIG BANQUET

GOD / JESUS

- GREAT BIG BANQUET
- WILL NOT BE DELAYED OR POSTPONED

GOD / JESUS

- GREAT BIG BANQUET
- WILL NOT BE DELAYED OR POSTPONED
- WILL BE FULL

Revelation 7

⁹ After this I looked, and there was a vast multitude from every nation, tribe, people, and language, which no one could number, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ And they cried out in a loud voice:

Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!

THE CHURCH

- WILL OF THE MASTER/FATHER
 - MISSION OF THE SERVANT/SON
 - THE PURPOSE OF HIS CHURCH

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SALVATION

• YOU MUST BE INVITED

SALVATION

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- ONLY QUALIFICATION IS WILLINGNESS/ ACCEPTANCE
- THERE IS STILL ROOM

Mark 16

Then he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.

Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

