

# THE PARABLES OF JESUS

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

Bible study for the week starting August 15, 2021  
Parables of Jesus: Humbled and Exalted

## SHARE

1. It's the start of a new school year. What's your best "back to school" memory?

## READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

2. Read Psalm 34:1-15. David says, "I will bless the Lord at all times." Read the heading to the Psalm (and feel free to look up the story in 1 Samuel 21). When David says "all times," he really means it. Knowing that, read this Psalm and soak in the depth of what David is praying.
3. Read 1 Peter 5:1-11, especially about the humility in verses 5-6. What kind of perspective does these verses give you in the battles you're experiencing? What is the adversary doing? What is God doing?
4. Read Luke 14:1-11. Jesus is at dinner on the Sabbath (quite a memorable one at that!). What's the "big picture" of what is guiding Jesus when so many other religious leaders are getting lost in the weeds of legalism?
5. Can you think of a time you needed to be humbled and something happened to do just that? What emotions did you feel when you were "put in your place?" Can you think of a time you were flat on your face in humility or humiliation and you were lifted up? What emotions did you feel when you were helped to your feet?

## PRAY FOR AND WITH ONE ANOTHER

6. Share what's going on in your lives and pray for these joys and needs.

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Luke 14:1-11

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Don't focus so much on the **MINUTIAE** in life that you lose the **BIG-PICTURE**.

Maybe not technically **ILLEGAL** but highly **FROWNED** upon.

The question isn't what can we do to **MAKE** ourselves holy. The point is the source of your holiness is **STANDING** right in front of you.

Only Jesus can fix what's **BROKEN**.

**FIRST** class and **BASIC** economy – You're on the **PLANE**.

“**HUMBLE** yourselves before the Lord, and He will **EXALT** you.” - James 4:10

“God made Him to be sin who knew **NO** sin, so that in Him we might become the **RIGHTEOUSNESS** of God.” -1 Corinthians 5:21

“The great **EXCHANGE**”

### **JUSTIFICATION**

It's the **HARDEST** thing in the world because it requires **HUMILITY**.