

# THE PARABLES OF JESUS

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

## The Great Banquet

Luke 14:12-35

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Think about a special DINNER that you attended

Biblical history through the lens of MEALS

- The APPLE in the GARDEN
- The LAMB dinner in Egypt
- The annual Passover meal
- The Last Supper/First Supper
- The BEACH breakfast
- The MARRIAGE supper of the LAMB

For your banquet have a generous MENU

For your banquet have a generous GUEST LIST

- a) Invite unselfishly
- b) Invite people who you can bless
- c) Invite people who do not yet know Jesus

### Fellowship vs Hospitality

Hospitality: "the quality or disposition of receiving and treating guests and strangers in a warm, friendly, generous way."

The mood at dinner - from awkward to HORRIFYING

## LAME EXCUSES

Salvation + DISCIPLESHIP verses 25-35

- Salvation costs you nothing, discipleship will cost you everything.
- Salvation is when Jesus declares you forgiven / adopted / holy  
Discipleship is a lifetime of worship, service, following, obeying.
- Salvation is something that God does for you.  
Discipleship is His stated ongoing life that you do with Him.
- Salvation wins for you eternal life  
Discipleship honors God, invites the unsaved, and EQUIPS YOU for every challenging moment in this life.