

Luke: The Inside Out Gospel

An Indiscriminate Evite

Luke 14:1-24

OPEN WITH PRAYER

GETTING STARTED: Describe the best party you have ever attended. What made it so great?

LEARNING & APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Together, read Luke 14:1-24 together

1. What do you think was the main point of Steve's message?
2. What reasons could you suggest for the Pharisees' repeated silence in response to Jesus' questions in verses 4 and 6?
3. According to Jesus, what is true hospitality? (verses 12 - 13)
4. Who do the characters in the parable of the great banquet represent? The host? The three who rejected the invitation? The ones who ended up attending the banquet?
5. This parable is about heaven and who gets in and who doesn't. Suppose a seeker asks you, "What kinds of people qualify for heaven?" You could use this parable to answer him or her. What would you say in two or three sentences?

6. What does this parable tell us about God?

LIVING OUT “REAL LIFE”

1. Do you ever struggle with accepting God’s grace? What prevents you from really resting in God’s grace? As a group, pray that the barriers that prevent each of you from experiencing God’s grace could somehow be removed.

SHARING AND PRAYER (Prayer Requests)

Take some time to share prayer requests, where you need to find God’s grace and peace. Be sure to give thanks for each other and pray for one another’s needs. When we pray together, we find the power of God.