

THE GREAT SUPPER

LUKE 14

Text:

Introduction:

Jesus had just healed a sick man on the Sabbath and was questioned about his actions. He then speaks a parable concerning humility, and helping those that could not repay for the help. Then the Bible says in verse (15) "And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God," in which only one responded either out of a heart full of pride, or possibly the only one that understood the truth being spoken. So to simplify things even more Christ illustrates to them and to us in this second parable.

Let's Notice:

1. THREEFOLD COMMAND

- A. Sent to bid (vs 17)
- B. Go bring (vs 21)

C. Go compel (vs 23)

Note:

Each invitation is stronger and more intense than the previous invitation.

2. THREEFOLD REASON FOR COMING.

A. For all things are ready. (vs 17)

B. All classes are invited. (vs 18-20)

1. Business Man (vs 18)

2. Farmer (vs 19)

3. Newly Wed (vs 20)

C. For yet there is room. (vs 22)

3. THREEFOLD EXCUSE FOR NOT COMING

A. Something else to see. (Lamb)

B. Something else to do. (Oxen)

C. Something else to enjoy. (Wife)

Applications:

1. The sole responsibility of the servant was to bring people to the master!
2. There isn't a place or a people that God is not interested in!
3. There is always room for more!
4. I see the urgency of the hour!
(Go out quickly... vs 21)
5. I see the results of the invitation being refused!
 - Anger (vs 21)
 - Judgment (vs 24)

Close:

First to the lost. You need not refuse the Masters invitation. The time will come when it will be too late for us to partake of His supper. Secondly to those that have responded to the invitation, we must remember that our responsibility is to bring people to the master, and that we are to find them in the streets, lanes of the city, and in the highways and hedges. There isn't a person that should not receive the invitation of the master.