

GUEST OF HONOR

Luke 14:1-24

Jesus is the perfect example of merciful compassion, humility, and sacrificial generosity and He desires for us to feast with Him forever.

- Jesus values **mercy** and compassion over **legalism**. (vv. 1-6)
- Jesus **exalts** the humble and humbles the **proud**. (vv. 7-11)
- Jesus' sacrificial **example** inspires unconditional **generosity**. (vv. 12-14)
- Jesus' Kingdom **invitation** is extended to the **least** expected. (vv. 15-24)



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FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. Jesus chose merciful compassion over arbitrary and self-righteous legalism. How does His example challenge the way we sometimes prioritize personal preference or comfort over showing mercy? When have you seen compassion disrupt legalism in your own life or in the church?
Luke 14:1-6; Micah 6:6-8; Hos. 6:6; James 2:13
2. Jesus modeled humility by taking the lowest place. How does His humility free us from constantly needing recognition, success, or approval? What's one area this week where you can "take the lower seat" for the sake of Christ?
Luke 14:7-11; Phil. 2:1-5; 1 Pet. 5:5b; Prov. 25:6-7
3. Jesus calls us to invite and bless those who can't repay us. How does Jesus' example transform the way we practice hospitality? Who might God be calling you to invite into your "table" this month?
Luke 14:12-14; 2 Cor. 8:9; Prov. 19:17; Rom. 15:7
4. The story ends with a feast — the marriage supper of the Lamb. How does the diverse guest list inspire you to "go out and compel" people to come in?
(Luke 14:23); Is. 25:6-9; Rev. 19:9
5. The extended invitation to the feast points to God's desire for His name to be known to the ends of the earth. How does this inspire you to see the gospel to be taken to the nations?
Luke 14:15-24; Matt. 11:28-30; Acts 1:7-8

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