PARABLES

JESUS THE STORYTELLER

Sunday, July 17, 2022 | Wawasee Bible | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Josh Weiland

Luke 14:12-24 (ESV)

12 He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. 13 But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, 14 and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

15 When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!"

- 16 But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. 17 And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' 18 But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I must go out and see it. Please have me excused.' 19 And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to examine them. Please have me excused.' 20 And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.'
- ²¹ So the servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house became angry and said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.'
- 22 And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.
- 23 And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. ²⁴ For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet."

Part 8 | Friends in Low Places

Everyone has been **INVITED** to God's party

a great reception

Isaiah 25:6-10; Revelation 19:6-9

it's all grace Revelation 19:8; Ephesians 2:8-9; Titus 3:5

but many make **EXCUSES** not to come.

future plans, stuff, relationships...

What's **your** excuse?

Those who do come are greatly **REWARDED** and sent to **INVITE** others!

receiving grace leads to extending grace

P.E.A.R.L.

PRAY for them EAT with them

ASK questions

REVEAL your story

LOVE them tangibly

The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it. Matthew 13:45-46 (ESV)





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Parable of the Great Banquet

Hey parents!

Take some time this week to go through these discussion questions with your young child. Be sure to read Luke 14:12-24 alone or with them before you do!

Showing grace is when we give someone a gift they didn't deserve. Jesus wants us to show grace to everybody, even when we don't want to. We can show grace by being kind to others, even when they aren't kind to us. We should always show grace to everybody because Jesus chooses to shows us grace daily!

- 1. Who should I show grace to?
- 2. How can I show everybody grace?
- 3. Who chooses to always show me grace?





Life Groups Return In the Fall!

Each fall and spring people from Wawasee Bible meet regularly in small groups to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, and live life together. We call them Life Groups and they meet in various homes and on campus. If you really want to connect and grow, you should get in a Life Group! — Most groups take a break for the summer, so if you're interested, look for sign-ups in August or let us know on the digital Connect Card at wawasee.today or stop by the Connect Desk. Look for other opportunities to connect outside of Life Groups throughout the summer.

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Word Find in the Word

Find the words from a passage related to this week's message.

Word Find for Luke 14:16-24 (NIrV)

Find the words **bolded** below.

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