

Connect Group Discussion Guide

SERMON DATE	SERMON SERIES	SERMON TITLE
10/24/2021	Parable of the Great Feast Luke 14:15-34	Full House
Message on YouTube	Click on the link below and then click on the link that pops up below it to get to the message. Or, copy and paste the link below https://youtu.be/Ybylt_cDS68	

MESSAGE ABSTRACT:

Jesus frequently taught in parables. Parables were stories from real life which illustrated spiritual truths, mostly about the “kingdom,” or reign, of God. Many of the parables begin “The kingdom of God is like...” Here Jesus taught a parable about a man who throws a great feast or banquet which represents the Kingdom of God. In this parable there are the following important components:

1. The banquet itself which represents the Kingdom of God
2. The two invitations. Actually they are two parts of the same invitation. The first invitation was God’s covenant relationship with Israel. The second invitation was Jesus himself; he came as the promised Messiah.
3. The excuses which were bogus
4. The invited guests who represent the the Jewish religious leaders who rejected and insulted Jesus by not believing in Him
5. The master who represents God and the servant who represents the Church. God loves all people and wants them to be saved.
6. The church is to invite others into God’s kingdom by believing in Jesus.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. In what way did God speak to you in the message this past Sunday?
2. What does it mean to invite others to attend God’s banquet?

3. The master wanted the servant to “compel” them to come to the banquet? What does that mean? Is there a difference between being pushy and persevering in reaching out to someone?
4. Do you agree that shame is a big hindrance to people not only coming to Jesus but even coming to church? How can we help sinners (like we are, let’s not forget) feel welcome?
5. Will you commit to becoming an “inviter?” Will you pray for great love and great courage to reach out to others?
6. Who is a person you can invite to church or to the Marriage Conference or to your group?

Pray together as a group for love and boldness.