

The parable of the invitation



According to which criteria do you choose your guests (vv12-14)? Do you belong to a fixed group of friends who only invite each other, or do you have an open heart for people who have a real need to be invited?

The Lord Jesus tells a story to illustrate this (vv16-24). - How great is your disappointment and your anger if the guests invited by you think they have something better to do, although you have put such an effort into the preparations! And what is it like with God? Through His Son, He has invited the Jewish people to the “great supper” of His grace. But since they didn’t come, God’s invitation is now for all people – you too!



126. Why shouldn’t the man who had invited the Lord Jesus invite his friends, relatives and rich neighbours?

127. It was easy for the servant to bring the poor people from the city. What was he supposed to do with the people who were in the highways and hedges?



At the time when the Lord Jesus was living here, the streets in Israel were mostly in a bad condition. Paved roads were introduced only at the time of the Persians and especially the Romans. Roman roads had milestones. Many of such stones have been preserved until now.

Compared to today, the streets and lanes of the cities were incredibly narrow, twisty and dirty.



God is inviting us to His feast. Let’s go and tell everyone we meet!

126. He shouldn't invite them so that they couldn't invite him in return and in that way repay him.
127. He should compel them to follow the invitation.