Embrace Holy Living



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Luke 14:16-24

The master and the servant are having a very interesting dynamic. His people were full of excuses and the servant reported the lame answers. I think the most powerful sentence is "then the master told his servant. . . ." It opens up the possibilities for everyone to come into the house because the master wants his house to be full.

The Master keeps telling us: just because you hear very good excuses you do not have to give up. The Master also tells us that giving your best excuse does not mean you will get away with it. We can be on either side and still struggle.

The Master's purpose is to draw us as near as we can be; He has prepared a good banquet for us. In verse 15 He says "blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God," but also, "I tell you, not one of those who were invited will get a taste of my banquet" (vs. 24). We can either give excuses to go out and invite others or come in and accept the Master's invitation.

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