

## ***Study Guide on Luke 14:7-24***

**New Revised Standard Version**

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.  
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

### **Luke 14:7-24**

**(Luke 14:7)** When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable.

**(Luke 14:8)** “When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host;

**(Luke 14:9)** and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place.

**(Luke 14:10)** But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you.

**(Luke 14:11)** For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”

**(Luke 14:12)** He said also to the one who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid.

**(Luke 14:13)** But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

**(Luke 14:14)** And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

**(Luke 14:15)** One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, “Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!”

**(Luke 14:16)** Then Jesus said to him, “Someone gave a great dinner and invited many.

**(Luke 14:17)** At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come; for everything is ready now.’

(Luke 14:18) But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of land, and I must go out and see it; please accept my regrets.'

(Luke 14:19) Another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my regrets.'

(Luke 14:20) Another said, 'I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come.'

(Luke 14:21) So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, 'Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.'

(Luke 14:22) And the slave said, 'Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room.'

(Luke 14:23) Then the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled.'

(Luke 14:24) For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner.'"

**Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:**

**Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study**

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?