Thrones

**The Kingdom Party**

Matthew 22:1-3

Jesus also told them other parables. He said, 2 “The Kingdom of Heaven can be illustrated by the story of a king who prepared a great wedding feast for his son. 3 When the banquet was ready, he sent his servants to notify those who were invited. But they all refused to come!

Note - Those who refused chose to work rather than party! (One to his field, one to his business.)

Ephesians 2:8-9

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast.

The Kingdom of God is life to be celebrated, not labor to be tolerated.

Note - Satan has branded Christianity this way and used religious people to do so.

John 10:10

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

Note - God LOVES a celebration!

Example - All the feasts of the Old Testament.

Weeks (Pentecost), Trumpets, Tabernacles, First Fruits, Unleavened Bread, etc.

Frog, Rice, Crawfish, Sugar Cain, etc. The Marriage Supper of the Lamb

Our Kingdom assignment is to invite people to the party.

Vs. 3, “He sent His servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come…

Example - Rich Wilkerson’s comment

Note - God wants us inviting more than just our friends and family.

Luke 12:13-14

Then he told the man who had invited him, “When you invite people for lunch or dinner, don't invite only your friends, family, other relatives, or rich neighbors. Otherwise, they will return the favor. 13 Instead, when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the handicapped, the lame, and the blind.”

Example - Masters Commission taking over parties

Kingdom party invites often get rejected.

Luke 14:18-20

“One said, ‘I have just bought a field and must inspect it. Please excuse me.’ 19 Another said, ‘I have just bought five pairs of oxen, and I want to try them out. Please excuse me.’ 20 Another said, ‘I just got married, so I can’t come.’”

Note - The lame excuses: A real estate deal, trying out a new tractor and hanging out with my new wife!

Satan wants us to let their excuses provide us an excuse but excuses only anger the King!

Note - This parable illustrates the Jews rejection of Jesus. Their refusal made the way for our reception! (We are the the poor, the handicapped, the lame, and the blind.)

Quote - We are a beautiful let down, Painfully uncool, The church of the dropouts, the losers, the sinners, the failures and fools!

Example - Agnes in Honolulu