

Lunch with Jesus, Part 2
Luke 14:15-35

14:15-24 The Great Banquet

- Comment: “Blessed is the man who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God.”
- Response: “A certain man...”
 - Story –
 - The host sent out an invitation to a great banquet.
 - But when the time came, they each had an excuse...
 - Buying land
 - Buying oxen
 - “I just got married”
 - See Deuteronomy 20:5-7 & 24:5...
 - Assessment by listeners: “Totally lame”
 - The servant reported the situation and the owner acted!
 - Others must come – they were the have-nots!
 - But there was still room!
 - Then go and get anyone else – the homeless, the unemployed, etc.
 - The master closed the door – See Luke 13:24-25!!
 - Point –
 - The invitation is given – but act now!
 - Don’t lose out on the offer because of lame choices.
 - The banquet will be full – no empty seats!

14:25-35 The Cost of Discipleship

- Two conditions
 - Love/ Hate – who is your greatest priority?
 - Carry your cross
- Counting the cost
 - Building a tower – finish what you start
 - King facing war - 10,000 vs 20,000 (better negotiate)
- Sodium free salt – “worthless”

Application:

- The Great banquet – “Come, for everything is now ready.”
- But... you better count the cost.