**THE GREAT BANQUET IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD**

Luke 14:1-24

Key Verse: 14:23 “Then the master told his servant, ‘Go out to the roads and country lanes and make them come in, so that my house will be full.’”

1. What was the Pharisees’ plot? How did Jesus show God’s mercy and answer his accusers? (1-6)

2. What did Jesus notice and what did he teach the guests about being humble? (7-11) [Consider Jesus’ example. (Philippians 2:5-8)]

3. What advice did Jesus give his host? Whom should we invite to parties? (12-14) Why? (Matthew 25:36-40)

4. How did the invited guests fail to enter through the narrow door? (16-19; cf. 13:24) What lame excuses did invited guests give? (18-20) How might we have a similar response as we wait for Jesus’ second coming?

5. How did the owner fill the empty seats at the banquet? (21-24) What does this tell us about God’s desire? (23)