**THE PARABLE OF THE WEDDING BANQUET**

Matthew 22:1-22

Key Verse 22:2 “The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son.”

1. How is the kingdom of heaven like a wedding banquet? (Revelation 19:9)

2. Why did the king repeatedly invite the guests to come? Why did the guests repeatedly refuse the invitation and even kill the king’s servants? (3-6) What was the consequence of their refusal? (7)

3. Why did the king open the banquet to anyone willing to come? What kinds of people came to the banquet? (8-10)

4. Why was the king offended by the man who was not wearing wedding clothes? What do wedding clothes symbolize? (Isaiah 61:10, Zechariah 3:3-4) What does verse 14 mean?

5. How did the Pharisees and the Herodians try to trap Jesus in his words? (15-17) What does Jesus mean by “give back to Caesar what is Caesar’s, and to God what is God’s”? (21)