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Invitation

Luke 15:1-2 (ESV)-Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them."

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- + Likely late during Jesus Ministry.
- Jesus had a reputation for hanging out with the "wrong" people.
- + Always got a response from the Pharisees.
- + This story takes place at the house of a Pharisee.

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1. THE ADVICE

Luke 14:12-13 (ESV)- He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

2. THE ASSUMPTION

Luke 14:15 (ESV)-When one of those who reclined at table with him heard these things, he said to him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!"

3. THE ANALOGY

Luke 14:16-18 (ESV)- But he said to him, "A man once gave a great banquet and invited many. And at the time for the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come, for everything is now ready.' But they all alike began to make excuses.

4. THE APPLICATION

Luke 14:16-18 (ESV)-For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet.

God's Heart For...

A. The <u>Helpless</u>

Luke 14:13 (ESV)- But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you.

B. The Helper

Luke 4:13 (ESV)-But when you give a feast...you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just.

C. The Outsiders

Luke 4:23 (ESV)-And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled.

Here is The Point: God's invitation is for all...