

He Gets Us

WEEK 5 | INVITED TO THE TABLE | LUKE 14-15-24

INSPECTION: WHAT DOES IT SAY?

Who was sitting at the table with Jesus in verse 15? Reference Luke 14:1-14
According to Jesus, what is the result of eating at the feast in the kingdom of God?
Who was responsible for inviting guests to the Great Banquet?
What three excuses are used for not attending the Great Banquet?
How many groups of people are sent an invitation to the Great Banquet?

OBSERVATION: WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

What does the nature of God's invitations say about Him?
What excuses have you made in refusing God's invitation?
How can the unimportant and urgent vs the important and not urgent rob God?
What emotional effect should being invited to the Great Banquet cause?
Read Matthew 10:34-42 How does this passage reflect Jesus' teaching on priorities?

LIFE APPLICATION: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ME?

Make a list of invitations that Jesus offers to those who follow Him
Plan a meal and invite friends in Christ and outside of Christ to participate
Consider how communion could be viewed in the context of this story
Invite someone this week to meet you at Fairmount to enjoy fellowship with Jesus
Pray daily to keep Jesus at the center of your attention and work

MEDITATION: WHAT DOES GOD SAY?

Lamentations 3:22-23	Psalm 63:3	John 13:34-35	Jude 1:20-21
Isaiah 54:10	Psalm 86:15	Zephaniah 3:17	1 John 3:1

SUPPLICATION: WHAT CAN WE MEDITATE?

Morning Prayer For Fellow-Prisoners

O God, early in the morning I cry to You

Help me to pray and to concentrate my thoughts on You; I cannot do this alone

In me there is darkness, but with You there is light;

I am lonely, but You do not leave me;

I am feeble in heart, but with You there is help;

I am restless, but with You there is peace

In me there is bitterness, but with You there is patience;

I do not understand Your ways, but You know the way for me

O Heavenly Father, I praise and thank You for rest in the night;

I praise and thank You for this new day;

I praise and thank You for all Your goodness and faithfulness throughout my life

You have granted me many blessings; now let me also accept what is hard from Your hand

You will lay on me no more than I can bear

You make all things work together for good for Your children

Lord Jesus Christ, You were poor and in distress, a captive and forsaken as I am

You know all man's troubles; You abide with me when all men fail me;

You remember and seek me; It is Your will that I should know You and turn to You

Lord, I hear Your call and follow; help me

O Holy Spirit, give me faith that will protect me from despair, from passions, and from vice;

Give me such love for God and men as will blot out all hatred and bitterness;

Give me the hope that will deliver me from fear and faint-heartedness

Amen

Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945)