

Message Series: Lost

Message Title: Whose at the party?

Key Scripture:

Luke 14

Message Summary

In the middle of a party in Luke 14 – Jesus tells the religious leaders some home truths. He observes that they are all trying to get honour and position for themselves, whilst ignoring and dishonouring a man who is suffering. At the end of the chapter Jesus points out that the man who is suffering is more likely to be in the Banquet at the end of time than they are! Everyone is invited to the party – but the rules have changed!

How does applying this message affect our:

Fellowship – experiencing healthy relationships with other people

How does a heart of humility change the way we interact with others. How do we find Jesus challenge about who is on our guest list? What kinds of people do we eat with and invite into our homes? People who can re-pay us, or people who can't do anything for us?

Discipleship – growing in Christ both thought and deed

If Jesus came as a servant then how are we becoming like him? When do we find ourselves caught in a race to the top? Rather than humbling ourself like him?

Ministry – Discovering and using our God-given gifts and abilities

We are all called to be hospitable – some have hospitality as a ministry gift. How do we use our homes, tables and food to serve others and serve God?

Evangelism – Reaching out and sharing the love of Christ with unbelievers

In Luke 14 – Jesus tells a story where the host of a party compels people to come. What do we think that word compel means? Have we fully understood God's heart for heaven to be full?

Worship – Surrendering our heart and life to Christ on an ongoing basis

Are we silent in the midst of others suffering? Do we see the connection between speaking up for those who have no voice, and our heart to worship God?