

GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION

CONNECT

What's the best party you've ever experienced? What made it so great?

LEARN & APPLY

Read Luke 14:12-14.

- What do these verses tell you about the heart of God the Father? What character trait(s) of God's heart is Jesus calling us to reflect here?
- Why do you think this is important for the world? For our own spiritual growth as people of Jesus?

Read Luke 14:15-24.

- In each of the excuses made to not come to the party what are the characters of this parable considering of most importance?
- Can you relate to these excuses? What keeps you from joining the party of what the Lord is calling you to know in relationship with him and his people? Summarize those things in a general list and, in prayer, confess those things to the Lord.
- What do you notice about the replacement guests in this parable? What 'requirement' is there for an invitation to this party? What does that tell you about who you can invite?
- What has the Lord been showing you through this parable, or through Sunday morning's experience of it?

PRAY

Lord, you've called us to come and join you at the table of your grace. Help us respond with the joy to that invitation and to invite others as well. In Jesus' name, amen.