

51. Humility (How to Be a Guest)

Luke 14:7-14 AMP

Now He told a parable to those who were invited, [when] He noticed how they were selecting the places of honor, saying to them,

When you are invited by anyone to a marriage feast, do not recline on the chief seat [in the place of honor], lest a more distinguished person than you has been invited by him,

And he who invited both of you will come to you and say, Let this man have the place [you have taken]. Then, with humiliation and a guilty sense of impropriety, you will begin to take the lowest place.

But when you are invited, go and recline in the lowest place, so that when your host comes in, he may say to you, Friend, go up higher! Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit [at table] with you.

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled (ranked below others who are honored or rewarded), and he who humbles himself (keeps a modest opinion of himself and behaves accordingly) will be exalted (elevated in rank).

Jesus also said to the man who had invited Him, When you give a dinner or a supper, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, lest perhaps they also invite you in return, and so you are paid back.

But when you give a banquet or a reception, invite the poor, the disabled, the lame, and the blind.

Then you will be blessed (happy, fortunate, and to be envied), because they have no way of repaying you, and you will be recompensed at the resurrection of the just (upright).

When one of those who reclined [at the table] with Him heard this, he said to Him, Blessed (happy, fortunate, and to be envied) is he who shall eat bread in the kingdom of God!



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ACCORDINGLY	GUILTY	RANK
BANQUET	HAPPY	RECLINE
BLIND	HONOR	RELATIVES
CHIEF	KEEPS	REPAYING
DISABLED	LAME	RESURRECTION
ELEVATED	LOWEST	SEAT
ENVIED	MODEST	SENSE
EXALTS	NOTICED	SUPPER
FEAST	OPINION	UPRIGHT
FORTUNATE	PLACE	WEALTHY