Jesus at a Pharisee's House - Luke 14:1-14

Topics: Handicapped, Healing, Honor, Humility, Invitation, Judging Others, Law, Miracles, Poor, Resurrection, Righteousness, Self-righteousness

Open It

- * 1. When have you attended a very formal dinner?
 - 2. How does it feel to give a gift to someone who doesn't expect it?

Explore It

- 3. Where did Jesus go to eat? (14:1)
- 4. Who else was present at the meal besides Jesus? (14:2-3)
- 5. Who asked the first question? (14:3)
- 6. What was the Pharisees' and legal experts' reply to Jesus' question? (14:4)
- 7. What happened to the man with dropsy? (14:4)
- 8. Under what circumstance did the religious and legal experts allow work on the Sabbath? (14:5-6)
- 9. Why did Jesus tell a parable? (14:6-7)
- * 10. How did most people seat themselves at a wedding feast? (14:8)
 - 11. What did Jesus command? (14:10)
 - 12. How did Jesus communicate the value of humility? (14:11)
- * 13. Whom was the host not to invite to a luncheon or dinner? (14:12)
 - 14. Whom did Jesus want people to invite to dinner? (14:13)
- * 15. In what way would the host be repaid? (14:14)

Get It

- * 16. How was the meal at the Pharisee's a setup to trap Jesus?
 - 17. What caused the religious and legal experts to be speechless?
- * 18. What does the wedding feast in the parable represent?
 - 19. How important is position and title in your circles? Why?
 - 20. What benefits could you realize by consistently making humble choices?
 - 21. Why is it a blessing to invite those who cannot repay?

Apply It

- * 22. What steps can you take to lessen the importance of position, title, or other status symbols in your life?
 - 23. What is something special you can do this week for someone who is unable to repay you in kind?