

Bible Study 11 – Jesus' example of humility and generosity – Luke 14:7-14

Have you ever been to a dinner party where something happens that makes you want to crawl under the table or flee into the night? Maybe there was a political discussion that got too heated. Maybe one of the guests was highly critical of Mary Jones, only to find out too late that Mary Jones is the host's sister-in-law. Whatever the cause, sometimes it happens that a good meal is spoiled when some of the guests get angry, blush in deep embarrassment, or well up with tears at some hurtful remark. At the dinner party in Luke 14, Jesus made some remarks that may have made some guests want to crawl under the table!

The context	Jesus began His ministry in Galilee and later moved to Judea. Samaria was between Galilee and Judea. In Luke 9:52-56 Jesus was rejected in a Samaritan village. The location of this incident may have been on the way to Jerusalem (9:51; 13:22; 17:1). A Pharisee invited Jesus to a meal on the Sabbath day (14:1-2). The purpose was to test whether Jesus would heal someone on the Sabbath day. If Jesus did heal the sick man, they would claim that He disobeyed the law of Moses.
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PART 1 Read & write each section in your own words – Luke 14:7-14

Self-seeking (v.7-9)	
Humility (v.10-11)	
Selfishness (v.12)	
Generosity (v.13-14)	

PART 2 Things I discovered in this passage

1. What does it teach about God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit?

2. What does it teach about people?

3. Summarize a key verse in your own words.

4. In your opinion, what is the main point being taught in these passages?

5. Which other parts of the passage caught your attention?

6. If Jesus was telling this story in your neighborhood, who would be “the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind” (v.13)?

7. Which parts of the passage were difficult to understand? What questions come to your mind?

A Christian is to be humble rather than self-seeking, and generous to the needy rather than selfish.



Obey

Since God's word is true, what must I change in my life to obey God?
What must I do to obey?

I will
I will
I will

Questions to help me apply this study to myself

- Is there a *SIN* for me to avoid?
- Is there a *PROMISE* from God for me to claim?
- Is there an *EXAMPLE* for me to follow?
- Is there a *COMMANDMENT* or *MODEL* for me to follow?

Share

Who will I tell about this Bible passage?

Who needs help? What can we do to help over the next two weeks?

Person	How will I help them?

Prayer

Date:

One thing you are thankful for.

One thing that's bothering you or causing stress.

Is there anything this group can do to help you?

Person	Prayer points

