



ONE
at a time

Proximity
Luke 14

CHANGE THE WORLD

● One Person at a Time



Luke 14:12-24 NIV

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Then Jesus said to his host,

“When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”



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When one of those at the table with him heard this, he said to Jesus, “Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God.”

Jesus replied: “A certain man was preparing a great banquet and invited many guests. At the time of the banquet he sent his servant to tell those who had been invited, ‘Come, for everything is now ready.’



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“But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said, ‘I have just bought a field, and I must go and see it.

Please excuse me.’

“Another said, ‘I have just bought five yoke of oxen, and I’m on my way to try them out.

Please excuse me.’

“Still another said, ‘I just got married, so I can’t come.’



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“The servant came back and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and ordered his servant, ‘Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind and the lame.’

“ ‘Sir,’ the servant said, ‘what you ordered has been done, but there is still room.’



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**“Then the master told his servant,
‘Go out to the roads and country lanes and
compel them to come in, so that my house
will be full. I tell you, not one of those who
were invited will get a taste of my banquet.’ ”**



*...your friends, your brothers
or sisters, your relatives,
or your rich neighbors*

*ONE
at a time*

CONTROL YOUR PROXIMITY

Self-Centered Living

Prefer Comfortable Settings & Relationships

Unconditional Love

Being Present

They Will Know ... When You Love

From Exclusive to Inclusive



***Go out quickly into the streets
and alleys of the town ...***

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TOUCH YOUR PROXIMITY

Touch the Untouchables

Run to the Sound of the Pain

**Willingness to Risk is Always Based on
Potential Reward**

whatever you did for one of the least of these

Start with Those Within Your Reach



***Go out to the roads and country
lanes and compel them to come in...***

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EXPAND YOUR PROXIMITY

Going to Unfamiliar and Uncomfortable

Run Toward Darkness

Run Toward Pain

**God, Help Me To Find Myself in the Proximity
of Someone New**

Overcome Our Fears

Outside our Comfort Zones



The Ministry of Proximity
Jesus Gives His Example
Jesus Gives His Own Presence

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Close in Proximity to Christ

Accept Your Invitation
Invite Those in Your Circles
Expand Your Search to Fill Seats

Overcome Your Fears
Trusting in the Lord's Presence