



THE FEW AND THE CHOSEN

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Day 1

GOD PREPARES BEFORE HE INVITES

READING: MATTHEW 22:1-14; 1 CORINTHIANS 2:9

Before God extends His invitation to salvation, He prepares. The king in Jesus' parable had everything ready—the oxen killed, the feast prepared, the wedding hall adorned. This reveals God's character: He doesn't invite us into emptiness but into abundance already prepared. "Eye has not seen nor ear heard what God has prepared for those who love Him (1 Corinthians 2:9)". Your heavenly Father isn't scrambling to make room for you; He's been preparing your place since before time began. The mansion has your name on it. The feast is ready. The only question remaining is: will you accept the invitation to what's already been lovingly prepared for you?



REFLECTION

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO YOU THAT GOD
PREPARED SALVATION BEFORE YOU EVEN
KNEW YOU NEEDED IT?

Day 2

THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE INVITATION

READING: MATTHEW 22:1-14; HEBREWS 2:1-3

Some made light of the king's invitation, prioritizing farms and businesses over the royal wedding. How often do we treat God's invitation casually? "I'll get serious about my faith next year." "I'll deal with that sin eventually." "The Spirit of God will not strive with man forever (Genesis 6:3)". There comes a moment when the season of invitation closes. God assesses not just whether we said yes, but how seriously we took that yes. Is Jesus truly your number one priority, or does He fit into the margins of your busy life? The Father is watching how we respond to his son's invitation with wholehearted devotion or casual indifference.



REFLECTION

WHAT COMPETES WITH JESUS FOR FIRST
PLACE IN YOUR LIFE? WHAT NEEDS TO
CHANGE?

Day 3

HOW WE TREAT GOD'S MESSENGERS

READING: MATTHEW 22:1-14; THESSALONIANS 5:12-13

The king sent servants to invite guests, but some treated them spitefully and even killed them. God will assess how we treat those he sends into our lives. We should be careful how we treat pastors, mentors, and faithful friends who share His word. Have you wounded someone God sent to help you? Have you dismissed, mocked, or rejected the messenger because you didn't like the message? The authenticity of God's servants matters, but so does our response to them. When someone speaks God's truth into your life, even when uncomfortable, receive it with humility. The Father takes note of how we treat those carrying His invitation to deeper relationship with Him.



REFLECTION

IS THERE SOMEONE GOD SENT INTO YOUR
LIFE THAT YOU NEED TO RECIEVE WITH A
DIFFERENT HEART?

Day 4

WEARING THE WEDDING GARMENT

READING: ZECHARIA 3:1-5; ROMANS 13:14

The man without wedding garments represents those who accept the invitation but refuse transformation. In ancient weddings, hosts provided garments at the door. Rejecting the garment meant rejecting the host's provision. God offers us the robe of Christ's righteousness, but we must be willing to remove our filthy garments, our pride, our sin, our old identity. Satan accuses us of our past, but God declares, "Is this not a brand plucked from the fire? (Zech 3:1-5)" He removes our iniquity and clothes us in rich robes. Salvation isn't just saying yes; it's allowing Jesus to change who we are. Put on the lord Jesus Christ. Let your life reflect whose you are.



REFLECTION

WHAT "FILTHY GARMENTS" IS GOD ASKING
YOU TO REMOVE? WHAT NEW IDENTITY IS
HE OFFERING?

Day 5

MANY CALLED, FEW CHOSEN

READING: MATTHEW 22:1-14, MATTHEW 7:13-14

Jesus' sobering conclusion: many are called, but few are chosen. The invitation goes to everyone good and bad alike. God's grace extends to all. But at the final assessment, God looks at our response: Did we say yes? Did we take it seriously? Did we honor His messengers? Did we allow transformation? Are we wearing the garment He provided? This isn't about earning salvation through works; it's about authentic faith that produces genuine change. The narrow gate requires we leave behind what we cannot take into eternity. Don't assume God's patience is endless. Don't take His invitation lightly. Today is the day of salvation. Be one of the few who are chosen because you chose Him wholeheartedly.



REFLECTION

IF JESUS RETURNED TODAY, WOULD HE FIND YOU
READY, DRESSED IN HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS, HAVING
TAKEN HIS INVITATION WITH UTMOST
SERIOUSNESS?

ENDING PRAYER

Father, thank You for preparing salvation before I knew I needed it. Help me respond to Your invitation with the seriousness it deserves.

Forgive me for times I've made light of Your call or treated Your messengers poorly. Remove my filthy garments and clothe me in Christ's righteousness. Transform me completely so that when You return, You'll find me ready, one of the few who are chosen because I chose You above all else. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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