

Dinner Plans Speechless | Luke 14.7-14

James 4.10 (NLT)

¹⁰ *Humble yourselves before the Lord, and **he** will lift you up in honor.*

Humility: An attitude of lowliness and obedience, grounded in the recognition of one's _____ before God as his creatures.

"Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it's thinking of yourself less so you can think of God more." - C.S. Lewis

Luke 14.7–14 (NLT)

⁷ *When Jesus noticed that all who had come to the dinner were trying to sit in the seats of honor near the head of the table, he gave them this advice:*

⁸ *"When you are invited to a wedding feast, don't sit in the seat of honor. What if someone who is more distinguished than you has also been invited?"*

⁹ *The host will come and say, 'Give this person your seat.' Then you will be embarrassed, and you will have to take whatever seat is left at the foot of the table!*

¹⁰ *"Instead, take the lowest place at the foot of the table. Then when your host sees you, he will come and say, 'Friend, we have a better place for you!' Then you will be honored in front of all the other guests."*

¹¹ *For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."*

¹² *Then he turned to his host. "When you put on a luncheon or a banquet," he said, "don't invite your friends, brothers, relatives, and rich neighbors. For they will invite you back, and that will be your only reward."*

¹³ *Instead, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind."*

¹⁴ *Then at the resurrection of the righteous, God will reward you for inviting those who could not repay you."*

THE MINDSET OF THE HUMBLE...

1. Make others the _____ to eliminate _____.

Proverbs 25.6–7 (NLT)

⁶ *Don't demand an audience with the king or push for a place among the great.*

⁷ *It's better to wait for an invitation to the head table than to be sent away in public disgrace.*

2. Start at the _____ place.

Luke 14.11 (NLT)

¹¹ *For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."*

1 Thessalonians 5.11 (NLT)

¹¹ So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing.

3. Reward those who can't _____.

Luke 14.12-14 (NLT)

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¹³ Instead, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

¹⁴ Then at the resurrection of the righteous, **God will reward you for inviting those who could not repay you.”**

Psalms 75.6–7 (NLT)

⁶ For no one on earth—from east or west, or even from the wilderness— should raise a defiant fist.

⁷ It is God alone who judges; he decides who will rise and who will fall.

OUR HOPE FOR YOU:

- 1) You start a relationship with Jesus.
- 2) You thank God in this season for the reward he offers.