

SERIES: JESUS IS THE SAVIOR OF ALL MANKIND*The Parable of the “Great Invitation”**Luke 14:16-23***Excuses****Romans 1:20-23**

²⁰ For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse, ²¹ because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²² Professing to be wise, they became fools, ²³ and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things.

The first excuse was because of: **Land**

Luke 14:18

“. . . The first said to him, ‘I have bought a piece of ground [field], and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.’”

Mark 8:36-38

The 2nd excuse was the: **Yoke**

Luke 14:19

“And another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.’”

Luke 18:18-23

The 3rd excuse was that of: **Wife**

Luke 14:20

“Still another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.’”

Mark 10:29

So Jesus answered and said, “Assuredly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My sake and the gospel’s, . . .”

Psalm 34:6

This poor man cried out, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

Luke 14:21

“So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.’”

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