

# JESUS STAYS FOR DINNER

Luke 14:15-24



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"Again and again in the Bible salvation is pictured as a feast with God. When God leads the Israelites out of Egypt, the leaders of the people are invited up to Mount Sinai to eat and drink with God (Exodus 24:9-11). The rescue from slavery in Egypt – the defining act of Israelite identity — is itself commemorated in a meal, the meal of Passover.



At the high point of Israelite history, in the reign of Solomon, we are told 'the people of Judah and Israel were as numerous as the sand on the seashore; they ate, they drank, and they were happy' (1 Kings 4:20). Even when things begin to unravel, God promises another meal on a mountain, 'a feast of rich food for all people' (Isaiah 25:6–8).

On this occasion death itself will be on the menu and God will swallow it up. This is an eternal feast that no one need ever leave. Jesus provides a foretaste of this feast when he feeds the five thousand.



Here is a feast which need never end. Indeed there's more food at the end than there was at the beginning. It's a pointer to the fulfillment of God's promise: that one day we will feast forever in his presence.



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He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep, because he has already gained, in the sovereign work of Jesus Christ, what he can never lose!

