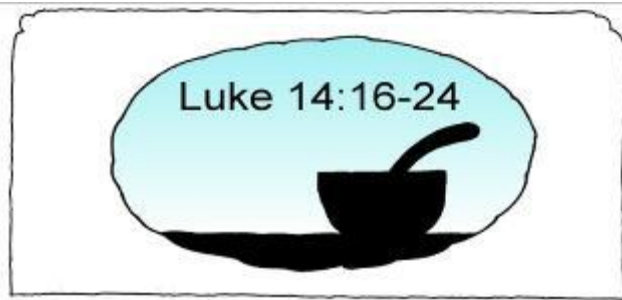


# Parable: COME to my feast

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Make time in your life for the things of God and don't forget to take care of the poor and helpless in this world and you will be blessed.



One day Jesus was invited to have a meal at the home of a well known Pharisee. Everyone was watching him. He told this story to the Pharisee.



"A certain man prepared a great feast. When everything was ready he sent his servant to invite his friends to come."



But everyone who was invited made excuses. The first person said, "I cannot come because I have bought a piece of land and I need to go and see it."



The next person who was invited to the feast replied, "I have bought five oxen and I need to see if they work as a team ploughing, so I cannot come."



Another person who was invited said he couldn't come to the feast because he had just got married. People were just too busy to come.



The man was disappointed and said, "Go into the streets and lanes of the city and bring the poor, disabled and blind to my feast."



Encourage them all to come. There's plenty of room for everyone. Take care of the poor and helpless in this world and you will be blessed.