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**THE TRUTH**

"Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many: and sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready." Found in Saint Luke 14:16, 17.

*For nineteen hundred years the call has been going forth inviting whosoever will to come. Let's read on;*

"And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come." Luke 14:18-20.

*There is no excuse for so-called-christians to fall so easy for everything that comes along, that it will cause them to backslide. Some have one idol, some another, yet I have notices that the most people fall from grace through their lust or love for money. The bible speaks so plainly that the love of money is the root of all evil. Once that bitter root is planted in us, then all manner of evil can befall us. People of this sort are always first to blame others for their mishaps but they never examine themselves. They go right on and pray and do just anything that they feel is right, whether it is right or not, just anything that comes along. I do believe that the Lord requires us to give up all for him. Why? The Word of God says so:*

"If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple. So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:26, 33.

*Let me picture to you what it means to forsake all for Jesus. It means we must obey what the Word of God tells for us to do above all other things we might want to do. It means putting Jesus first in our every-day lives no matter what anyone else says contrary. It means forsaking all our relation, all our family, all our property, all our imaginations, all our ideas, all our good friends, all our cash money, all our want for new cars, houses, or whatever would become our idol, all our feelings, and to put it plainer all our life, and many more things I could mention. These things, take notice is why most of us are in the condition we are in. Let us read on now and see what happens to those people that always have excuses and blame others;*

Luke 14:21-24, "So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. 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 hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt,

and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper."

Now let us read in Saint Luke 13:24-29 which is good to close with. "Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are: Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets. But he shall say, I tell you, I know you not whence ye are; depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out. And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God."

*Sinner friends, sinner meaning you who do not obey the word of God, no matter what church or denomination you belong to, if you are not saved from sin and you do not live a holy every-day life, you are the one God is talking to when he said, "none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper." YOU are the one God means when he said,*

"Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:" Matthew 25:41.

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