"Now go out to the street corners and invite everyone you see."

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Matthew, 22:8-10

'We have a wedding banquet all prepared but no guests. The ones I invited weren't up to it. Go out into the busiest intersections in town and invite anyone you find to the banquet.' The servants went out on the streets and rounded up everyone they laid eyes on, good and bad, regardless. And so the banquet was on - every place filled."

Father, thank you for inviting me to your banquet. Teach me how to do the right things so I can stay and enjoy myself at your banquet. **Amen.**

You are invited to the wedding feast!

Can you find your way to the wedding cake?

OLD HABITS, NEW HABITS

WHY WAS THE GUEST TOLD OFF FOR NOT WEARING A WEDDING GARMENT?

You would be given it, free, to wear in the palace, just as Jesus gives us new life. If we then choose to wear our old 'habits' instead, it insults God's love to us.

WHAT ARE THE OLD HABITS?

Things like living to please ourselves; organising everything our way; selfish, arrogant, thoughtless behaviour; prejudiced attitudes and hypocrisy (being two-faced).

WHAT ABOUT THE NEW HABITS?

Basically, living by the rule of loving service, both to God and each other.

YOU PREPARE A TABLE FOR ME
IN THE PRESENCE OF MY ENEMIES;
YOU ANOINT MY HEAD WITH OIL,
AND MY CUP OVERFLOWS.
SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY
SHALL FOLLOW ME
ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE;
AND I SHALL DWELL
IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD
FOR EVER.
(- FROM PSALM 23 -)

Word Search: Matthew 22:1-14 (CEV)

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JESUS	HEAVEN	WEDDING	SERVANTS
COME	GUESTS	CATTLE	EVERYTHING
BANQUET	ATTENTION	FARMS	BUSINESS
BEAT	FURIOUS	ARMY	TIME
INVITED	DESERVE	MEET	STREETS
GOOD	ROOM	KING	WEARING
CLOTHES	PROPER	EXCUSE	PERSON
OUTSIDE	TEETH	CHOSEN	

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Crossword: Matthew 22:1-14 (CEV)

Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank spaces.

Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.

15 across)Once again _____ used stories to teach the people:

24 down)The kingdom of _____ is like what happened when a

6 down) king gave a _____ banquet for his son.

20 down) The king sent some _____ to tell the invited

8 down) guests to ____ to the banquet, but the guests

23 across) refused. He sent other servants to say to the _____,

22 down) The banquet is ready! My _____ and prize calves

5 down) have all been prepared. _____ is ready. Come

1 down) to the _____!

16 across) But the guests did not pay any _____. Some of

7 down) them left for their _____, and some went to their

19 across) places of _____. Others grabbed the servants,

29 across) then ____ them up and killed them.

21 down) This made the king so _____ that he sent an

10 across) ____ to kill those murderers and burn down their city.

28 down) Then he said to the servants, "It is ____ for

26 across) the wedding banquet, and the _____ guests don't

9 across) _____ to come. Go out to the street corners and

13 across) tell everyone you ____ to come to the banquet."

27 across) They went out on the _____ and brought in everyone

11 across) they could find, ____ and bad alike. And the banquet

30 across) ____ was filled with guests.

3 down) When the ____ went in to meet the guests, he found

4 across) that one of them wasn't _____ the right kind of

2 down) _____ for the wedding. The king asked, "Friend,

25 across) why didn't you wear _____ clothes for the wedding?"

14 down) But the guest had no _____. So the king gave orders

18 down) for that _____ to be tied hand and foot and to be

17 down) thrown _____ into the dark. That's where people

12 down) will cry and grit their _____ in pain. Many are

22 across) invited, but only a few are _____.