

LG Questions Fall 22

WK 10: Communion



Big Idea: We are welcome at the table of the Lord.

Read Matthew 22:1-10

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables: “The kingdom of heaven is like a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his servants to summon those invited to the banquet, but they didn’t want to come. Again, he sent out other servants and said, ‘Tell those who are invited: See, I’ve prepared my dinner; my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.’

“But they paid no attention and went away, one to his own farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged, and he sent out his troops, killed those murderers, and burned down their city.

“Then he told his servants, ‘The banquet is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Go then to where the roads exit the city and invite everyone you find to the banquet.’ So those servants went out on the roads and gathered everyone they found, both evil and good. The wedding banquet was filled with guests.

Read: *As we celebrate communion together in the church, it is important to remember the types of people with whom Jesus shared the “Last Supper”. Broken people with checkered pasts*

who certainly did not “earn” a seat at the table. We are no different! We did not earn our seat at the table, but most certainly receive an invite to come to the table.

1. How does it make you feel knowing that Jesus invites you to His table? Why? Have you ever wrestled with believing you are welcome at the table? If so, explain.

2. How does taking communion help us from becoming distracted in this life? How does it help us keep an eternal perspective? (Look at Luke 22:14-20).

3. Why weren't the originally invited guests “worthy” to attend the banquet? How can we be sure to NOT end up like the “originally” invited guests?

4. Reflect on the statement, “The wedding banquet was filled with guests”. Why is this statement important for us as the church to remember?

5. What is the most meaningful part of observing communion for you personally? Why.

Prayer: *Spend a moment acknowledging in prayer that you are eager to share this meal with Jesus one day in the Kingdom of Heaven. Also pray that God would place urgency in our hearts to invite people to take a seat at the table.*