Gospel Luke Bible Study #38

Luke 14:1, 7-14

For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled……

1. I am ( ) humble. ( ) proud.

2. Where was Jesus? 14:1

=a prominent Pharisee

 Why did Jesus go there? 14:1

=to eat

 What efforts did Jesus notice among the guests? 14:7

 =Jesus saw people’s heart

 Why did the guests try to pick the places of honor?

 =Status: seat decides status, power and honor

1. The principle of honor.
	1. He who exalts himself; What place does Jesus teach not to take when invited? 14:8

=do not take the place of honor

 What will the host do when a more distinguished person arrives? 14:9

 =Give this person your seat

 What place will he take plus humiliation? 14:9

 =the least important place

 What makes him to grab the place of honor?

 =pride, better than other

 How do you like a person who exalts himself?

 =dislike

* 1. He who humbles himself; What place does Jesus teach to take when invited? 14:10

=take the lowest place

 What will the host do when he sees his guest at the lowest place? 14:10

 =Friend, move up to a better place

 What place will he take plus honor? 14:10

 =higher place and honor

 What makes him to take the least place?

 =humble: Philippians 2:3 in humility value others above yourselves

 How do you like a person who is humble?

 =people love the person

* 1. What is the nature of honor?

=not by griping, but coming by others

What principle is there in pride and in humility? 14:11

 =For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted

* 1. How does God treat the proud and the humble?

James 4:6 God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

Ez. 17:24 All the trees of the field will know that I the Lord bring down the tall tree and

make the low tree grow tall. I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish.

I the Lord have spoken, and I will do it.

Obadiah1:3 The pride of your heart deceived you, you who live in the clefts of the rocks ……….,

 you who say to yourself, ‘Who can bring me down to the ground?’

=God is offended by the proud

=we become proud when we become rich and safe in job, status and heart.

=the pride of your heart

=Nation and kingdom, civilization and company and rise and fall

* 1. Why is a person proud? humble

=I am somebody =I am nobody. Genesis18: I am dust and ashes

=I am better than you =I am helpless and a sinner

=I have something to show =God! Have mercy on me

=successful people =pray: lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil

=very self-righteous: Luke 18:11-12 =They know weakness and sinfulness

=self-confident =They rely on prayer

=self-reliant =They know all things comes from God for the glory of God

How will a proud person become humble?

 =They must lose everything

 =When they realize that they are sinners

* 1. What is good about having a dinner with friends, brothers, relatives, and rich neighbors?

=comfortable, mutual interest

What is not good about it? 14:12b

 =they will invite back, so you will be repaid

What is not good about having a banquet with the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind?

 =not comfortable, they also may not come

 =It bring down your status.

 =Just wasting and there is no return

What is good about it? 14:14

 =we will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous

Why will God repay our charity at the resurrection? Mt. 25:35,36,40

 =God loves our charity. He will reward us. God will pay back.

Do you reach out the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind?

 =reach out one at a time.

 =we need to make personal effort.

 =prayer for others