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