

Invited to the Wedding Feast

Matthew 22:1-14

(series #121)

Intro: the biblical balance of sovereignty and volition

I. The Initial Invitation to Come vv. 1-3

- A. The king is the Father; the son is Jesus
- B. The invited guests are the Jewish people

II. The 2nd Invitation vv. 4-6

- A. It's a demonstration of God's patience
- B. Some are too preoccupied to come
- C. Some get angry at the messengers

III. The Divine Judgment on Israel v. 7

- A. Assyria in 721 B.C., Babylon in 586 B.C.
- B. Rome in A.D. 70

IV. The Invitation to Whosoever vv. 8-10

V. The Rejection of the King's Provision vv. 11-13

- A. The garments were supplied by the king
- B. This man rejected the king's provision
- C. He was cast into outer darkness

Conclusion: the divine description of salvation v. 14

- those who refuse do so willingly

- those who receive do so because of God's grace