

Around the Table

A Place to Know Jesus and Make Him Known
Humble Table | November 23, 2025

A HUMBLE TABLE

Luke 14:7-11 *When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: ⁸ “When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. ⁹ If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, ‘Give this person your seat.’ Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, ‘Friend, move up to a better place.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. ¹¹ For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”*

Matthew 23:1-7 *Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, “The teachers of religious law and the Pharisees are the official interpreters of the law of Moses. So practice and obey whatever they tell you, but don’t follow their example. For they don’t practice what they teach. They crush people with unbearable religious demands and never lift a finger to ease the burden. Everything they do is for show. On their arms they wear extra wide prayer boxes with Scripture verses inside, and they wear robes with extra-long tassels. And they love to sit at the head table at banquets and in the seats of honor in the synagogues. They love to receive respectful greetings as they walk in the marketplaces, and to be called ‘Rabbi.’”*

1 Peter 5:5 *All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because “God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.”*

Ephesians 2:8-9 *God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can’t take credit for this; it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.*

Being a guest at God’s table requires _____ – joyfully looking upward to receive God’s grace, rather than pridefully looking sideways to attain public praise.

AN HONORED TABLE

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Those who come to God’s table with humility can look forward to having an _____ seat.

A HOLY TABLE

Philippians 2:3-11 *Don’t be selfish; don’t try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don’t look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal’s death on a cross. Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

Two Questions for Consideration:

- Have I humbled myself before God – recognizing and receiving His grace for my own seat at the table?
- Do I have a humble disposition toward others? How often do I go about my day seeking to bless others? Am I willing to help others have a seat at Jesus’ Table?

Immediate Action Opportunity:

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