

MATTHEW

March 26, 2023

Matthew 22:1-14

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QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. Describe the attitude of those who were unwilling to attend the wedding of the king's son (vv. 3-6).

Do you ever find yourself harboring similar attitudes relative to *the King*? When do they seem most prominent? How do you address them?

2. Is the king's reaction, his rage, warranted (v. 7)? Why or why not?

How does this mirror God's wrath?

- Matthew 3:7
- Romans 1:8
- Romans 3:5
- Ephesians 5:6
- Hebrews 10:31

3. What is described in vv. 8-10 relative to God's plan (c.f., Romans 1:16; Matthew 28:19-20)?

4. What catches the attention of the king (vv. 11-12)?

What is required of the attendee? What is suggested by the absence of wedding clothes (relative to the wedding feast)?

Why this reaction of the king now (v. 13) and to what, ultimately, does this describe?

5. How is this garment, or lack of appropriate garment, relevant to the kingdom of heaven?

- Isaiah 64:6
- Isaiah 61:10
- Galatians 3:26-27

6. What is the impact, personally, of Jesus' closing statement (v. 14)? How does it strike you?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

I will check my attitudes this week by . . .

I will be inviting to others this week by . . .