



# THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

## THE PARABLE OF THE WEDDING FEAST

**“Tell those who are invited” - Matt 22 1-14:**

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And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: “**THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE**” a certain **king** who arranged a **marriage** for his **son**, and sent out his servants to call those who were **invited** to the **wedding**; and they were not willing to come.

Again, he sent out other servants, saying, ‘**tell those who are invited**’, “see, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready.

Come to the wedding.” ’ But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own **farm**, another to his **business**. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those **murderers**, and burned up their city.

*(1<sup>st</sup> Group)*

Then he said to his servants, “**the wedding is ready**”, but those who were invited were not worthy. Therefore, go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.’ So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both **bad and good**. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. *(2<sup>nd</sup> Group)*

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a **wedding garment**. So, he said to him, ‘friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, ‘bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

**“For many are called, but few are chosen.”**

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Matthew 3:1-2

In those days came **John** the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, and saying, Repent ye: for the **kingdom of heaven** is at hand.

Matthew 4:17

From that time **Jesus** began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the **kingdom of heaven** is at hand.

Matt 6:10 - Jesus when you pray say, 'Thy will be done on **earth as it is in heaven**'





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GEN 3:15

AND I WILL PUT ENMITY

BETWEEN YOU AND THE WOMAN,

AND BETWEEN YOUR SEED AND  
HER SEED;

HE SHALL BRUISE YOUR HEAD,

AND YOU SHALL BRUISE HIS HEEL.”

Devil

Son of  
Man

Sons of the  
wicked  
one

איבה - 'eybah  
hostility:-  
emnity, hatred

Sons of  
God

Your  
seed

Her  
seed



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MATT 13: 37 -43

HE ANSWERED AND SAID TO THEM: "HE WHO SOWS THE **GOOD SEED** IS THE **SON OF MAN**. THE **FIELD IS THE WORLD**, THE **GOOD SEEDS ARE THE SONS OF THE KINGDOM**, BUT THE TARES ARE THE SONS OF THE WICKED ONE. THE ENEMY WHO SOWED THEM IS THE DEVIL, THE HARVEST IS THE END OF THE AGE, AND THE REAPERS ARE THE ANGELS. THEREFORE AS THE TARES ARE GATHERED AND BURNED IN THE FIRE, SO IT WILL BE AT THE END OF THIS AGE. THE SON OF MAN WILL SEND OUT HIS ANGELS, AND THEY WILL GATHER OUT OF HIS KINGDOM ALL THINGS THAT OFFEND, AND THOSE WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS, AND WILL CAST THEM INTO THE FURNACE OF FIRE. THERE WILL BE WAILING AND GNASHING OF TEETH. THEN THE RIGHTEOUS WILL SHINE FORTH AS THE SUN IN THE KINGDOM OF THEIR FATHER. HE WHO HAS EARS TO HEAR, LET HIM HEAR!

He who sows the good seed	Son of Man
The Field	The World
The good seed	Sons of the kingdom



The enemy who sowed the tares	Devil
The Field	The World
The tares	Sons of the wicked one

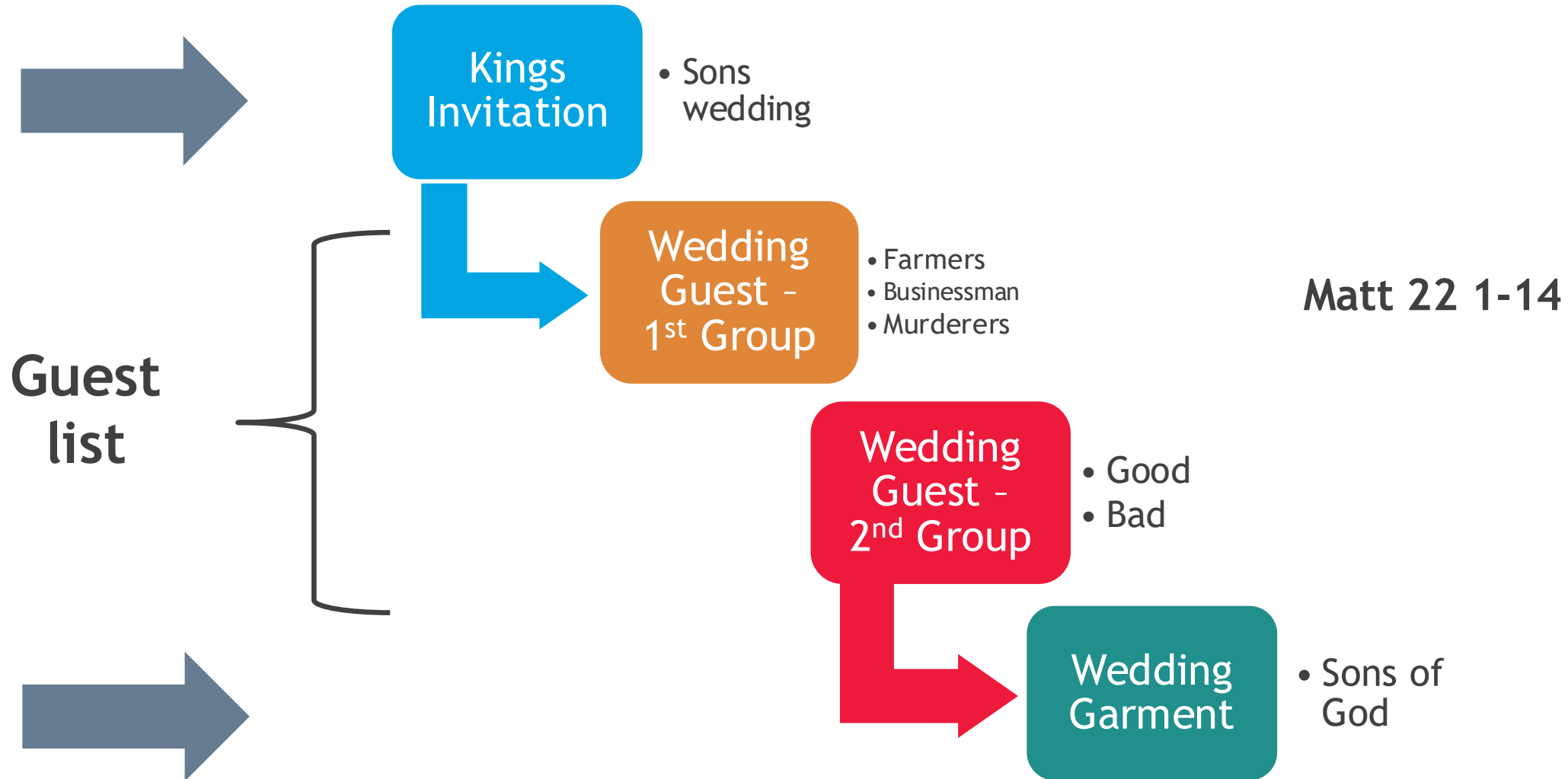
# THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN – TIMELINE



Parables - Thy Kingdom Come	Subject	On Earth <b>AS IT IS</b> in Heaven	1 <sup>st</sup> Order
Wheat & Tares (Mt 13:24–30; 36–43) <b>(2 Groups)</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	Sons of God - Your assignment	1
Mustard Seed (Mt 13:31–32)	<b>Growth</b>	Sons of God – Provision	2
Leaven (Mt 13:33)	<b>Influence</b>	Sons of God – Transformation	3
Hidden Treasure (Mt 13:44)	<b>Duty</b>	Sons of God – The Message	4
Pearl of Great Price (Mt 13:45–46)	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Priority</b>	Sons of God – Ambassadorship	5
Dragnet - <b>(2 Groups)</b> (Mt 13:47–50)	<b>Separation</b>	Sons or God (Angels) – Sons of God	6
Unforgiving Servant (Mt 18:23–35)	<b>Conduct</b>	Sons of God – Forgiveness	7
Workers in the Vineyard (Mt 20:1–16)	<b>Chosen</b>	Sons of God – GRACE	8
Wedding Feast / Wedding Garment (Mt 22:1–14) - <b>(2 Groups)</b>	<b>Kings Invitation</b>	Sons of God – Wedding Garment	9
Ten Virgins (Mt 25:1–13) <b>(2 Groups)</b>	<b>Reception (waiting)</b>	Sons of God – Ready	10
Talents (Mt 25 14 – 30) <b>(2 Groups)</b>	<b>Rewards</b>	Sons of God – Eternal Life	11

# THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN - "TELL THOSE WHO ARE INVITED"

Wedding - 'Tell those who are invited'



**1. THE INVITATION**  
*Many Are Called...*

**THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE...**

**3. THE WEDDING FEAST**  
*All Are Welcome!*

*They Refused...*

**2. A NEW INVITATION**  
*Go into the Highways – Invite All People!*

**4. THE GARMENT TEST**

*“Friend, how did you  
come without a  
“Wedding Garment?”*

**JUDGMENT**  
*The King Was Furious!*

**5. THE CONSEQUENCE**  
*Weeping & Gnashing of Teeth*

**FOR MANY ARE CALLED, BUT FEW ARE CHOSEN.**



Invitation



Repentance & New Life



Eternal Joy with the King

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