

## Pastor Roy's Study Questions on Luke 14:1-24 (April 12, 2026)

— *Below are questions to help further our understanding of today's sermon.* —

1. When faced with opportunities to serve God or attend church gatherings, what excuses do you find yourself making, and what do these excuses reveal about your true priorities?
2. How does the concept of a 'seared conscience' manifest in modern Christianity, and what are the warning signs that someone has become hardened toward God's salvation?
3. In what ways do we, like the Pharisees, create heavy burdens for others while exempting ourselves from the same standards we expect them to follow?
4. What does it mean to truly surrender all areas of your life to God rather than holding back certain sins or pleasures you are unwilling to release?
5. How does Jesus's teaching about taking the lowest seat at a banquet challenge our culture's emphasis on self-promotion and personal recognition?
6. Why do you think Jesus specifically instructs us to invite the poor, crippled, lame, and blind to our feasts, and how can we practically apply this principle today?
7. What is the significance of the master's anger when invited guests made excuses, and what does this reveal about God's response to our rejection of His invitation?
8. How does the statement that heaven will not be crowded challenge popular assumptions about salvation, and what responsibility does this place on believers?
9. In what ways do we prioritize material possessions, business ventures, or relationships over our relationship with God, similar to the excuses given in the parable?
10. What does it mean to be part of the resurrection of the just versus the resurrection of the unrighteous, and how should this reality shape how we live today?