

GENTILES AT THE TABLE—Luke 13:22–14:24

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As Jesus makes his way to Jerusalem and his impending death, Luke notes the growing rejection of Jesus by the Jews, his own people whom he came to save. In response, Jesus speaks of a coming day that seemed unthinkable to them at the time—a day when Gentiles would enjoy table fellowship alongside the Jews in the kingdom—while warning that unbelieving Jews would be shut out. This lengthy section of Luke's Gospel, centered around a Sabbath meal that Jesus shares with the Pharisees, proclaims three remarkable aspects of Jesus' ultimate mission.

1. The Realization of God's Plan

2. The Wideness of God's Grace

3. The Exclusiveness of God's Salvation