

A Moveable Feast

Matthew 22:34-40 NIV - Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. **35** One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: **36** "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" **37** Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'**[a]** **38** This is the first and greatest commandment. **39** And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'**[b]** **40** All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Luke 13:29 ESV - And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and **recline at the table** in the kingdom of God.

Mark 2:15-17 ESV - **15** While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. **16** When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" **17** On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

1. Jesus Always Accepts the Imperfect and so Should We

Romans 5:8 ESV - but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us

2. Let People Know that God is not holding anything against anyone and Everyone is Welcomed to His Table!

Rom 3:22 (LB) "God says He will accept and acquit us – declare us "not guilty" – if we trust Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can be saved in this same way, by coming to Christ, no matter who we are or what we have been like."

2 Corinthians 5:19 NIV - **19** that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, **not counting people's sins against them**. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

3. There is No Limitations to God's Grace

I John 2:1-2 NIV - My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. **2** He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

Psalms 103:8-12 ESV - The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. **9** He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. **10** He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. **11** For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; **12** as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.