

**Lesson #1-28*****The Wedding Banquet***

Matthew 22:1-14

Key Verse:

For many are called, but few are chosen.
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The Point:

All are invited to be part of God's feast.

Unit Theme (March 6—April 7)

The Ways of the Kingdom

Agape Feast

Serve each other a feast.

You will need:

- † Table
- † Bread
- † Fruit
- † Plates
- † Napkins
- † Optional: other food, party decorations

Preparation:

1. Before serving any food, always check for those who have food allergies. Provide an alternative if necessary.
2. Have participants wash their hands or use hand sanitizer before handling food.

Instructions:

1. **We are all God's family and God loves us. God invites all of us to come to a feast. We are going to serve each other and be kind and loving to one another. God wants us to**

- be kind and loving everywhere we go.**
2. **We are going to take part in a feast of love today. A feast is a large meal that is like a party. First, we are going to work together to set our table for our feast.** Invite participants to help place the plates and napkins.
3. **We are going to share love and food with each other.** Take the loaf of bread in your hands. **We are going to go around the table and share God's love with each other. We are going to tell each other this phrase: "You are invited. God loves you."**
4. Turn to the person on your right. **You are invited. God loves you.** Tear off a piece of bread from the loaf and put it on their plate. The participant will then take the bread, turn to their neighbor, and repeat the phrase, until all are served.
5. **Now we are going to take part in this feast. There is fruit here to go with your bread.** (And other food, if desired.)