

Title: *Everyone's Invited*
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Message

A: God's heart is for everyone

John 3:14-16 (NLT)

¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵ so that everyone who believes in Him will have eternal life. ¹⁶ For God loved the world so much that He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.

B: God's destiny for everyone

Psalms 23:5, 6 (GNT)

⁵ You prepare a banquet for me, where all my enemies can see me; you welcome me as an honored guest and fill my cup to the brim. ⁶ I know that your goodness and love will be with me all my life; and your house will be my home as long as I live.

C: God's strategy for everyone

2 Corinthians 2:14-16 (NIV)

¹⁴ But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of Him. ¹⁵ For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing. ¹⁶ To the one we are the smell of death; to the other, the fragrance of life. And who is equal to such a task?

2 Corinthians 3:3 (NIV)

You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

D: What is your response?

Luke 14:15-24 (NLT)

¹⁵ Hearing this, a man sitting at the table with Jesus exclaimed, "What a blessing it will be to attend a banquet in the Kingdom of God!" ¹⁶ Jesus replied with this story: "A man prepared a great feast and sent out many invitations. ¹⁷ When the banquet was ready, he sent his servant to tell the guests, 'Come, the banquet is ready.' ¹⁸ But they all began making excuses. One said, 'I have just bought a field and must inspect it. Please excuse me.' ¹⁹ Another said, 'I have just bought five pairs of oxen, and I want to try them out. Please excuse me.' ²⁰ Another said, 'I now have a wife, so I can't come.' ²¹ "The servant returned and told his master what they had said. His master was furious and said, 'Go quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and invite the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame.' ²² After the servant had done this, he reported, 'There is still room for more.' ²³ So his master said, 'Go out into the country lanes and behind the hedges and urge anyone you find to come, so that the house will be full. ²⁴ For none of those I first invited will get even the smallest taste of my banquet.'"

Matthew 11:28 (NLT)

Then Jesus said, "Come to Me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."