<u>Luke 14:1-14</u> "Lessons at the Dinner Table"

Introduction:

How does this passage connect to what preceded it?

I. The Failed Trap: (vs.1-6)

- A. What was the nature of the invitation? (1)
- B. What role does the afflicted man play in the story? (2)
- C. What purpose did Jesus have in His first question? (3)
- D. What did the response of silence convey? (4)
- E. What purpose did Jesus have in His second question? (5)

II. The Admonition to the Guests: (vs.7-11)

- A. What is the key to understanding what Jesus says here? (7)
- B. In what sense were the guests seeking the best seats? (8)
- C. Was Jesus giving practical advice about social etiquette? (9-10)
- D. What sort of humbling and exalting is Jesus speaking about? (11)

III. The Admonition to the Host: (vs.12-14)

- A. Is it displeasing to God if we have friends or family over for dinner? (12)
- B. Why did Jesus specify the guest list that He did? (13)
- C. What sort of blessing is Jesus speaking about here? (14)

Conclusion:

- A. What are the characteristics Jesus tells us to pursue in this passage?
- B. How do we measure how well we are doing in regard to these virtues?