QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time in your life when you realized you

 were pretending to be someone or something you were not. What

 did you do about it?

2. Why do you think people feel the need to impress others?

3. Read the following passages and note the Bible says about being

 genuine:

a) Romans 12:9

b) Philippians 2:3

c) I Timothy 1:5

d) Titus 2:7

e) I Peter 1:7

f) I Peter 1:22

g) I John 3:18

4. What was the key point Jesus was trying to teach in the parable He

 told the scribes and Pharisees?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week’s

 message? (*Share your decision with another person*.)

* I am going to ask my spouse or a close friend to evaluate if I conduct myself in a genuine way when I am around others.
* I am going to do a kind deed for another person anonymously.
* I am going to memorize I Timothy 1:5.

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Luke 14:1-14 Study Series #064

***Let’s Get Real!***

**I. Introduction**

 A. The Reality Check

 B. The Dinner Invitation

 (See Luke 14:1-2; Luke 7:39; Luke 11:37; John 2:24-25)

**II. Real and False Spirituality**

 A. False Spirituality: Rules over Relationships

 (See Luke 14:3-6; Genesis 1:27)

 B. Real Spirituality: Meeting the Need

 (See Luke 14:4; John 9:1-34)

**III. Real and False Honor**

 A. False Honor: Honoring Ourselves

 (See Luke 14:8-9; Luke 14:1; Proverbs 25:6-7; Jeremiah 45:5)

 “Try not to become a man of success, but try to become a man

 of value.” *Albert Einstein*

 B. Real Honor: Honored by God

 (See Luke 14:10; Luke 13:30; I Samuel 16:7; James 4:6;

 Philippians 2:3-9)

 “Humility is not thinking less of yourself; it is thinking of

 yourself less.” (*Mere Christianity, C.S. Lewis*)

**IV. Real and False Hospitality**

 A. False Hospitality: Giving to Get

 (See Luke 14:12; Matthew 6:16-18; Matthew 6:5-7)

 B. Real Hospitality: Giving Without Any Expectations

 (See Luke 14:13-14; Hebrews 13:12; I Peter 4:9;

 Romans 12:13; Titus 1:8)

**V. Conclusion**

**VI. Communion**

Communion at Cornerstone Church is open for all who profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. You do not have to be a member of Cornerstone or a member of a Southern Baptist Church to observe Communion with us. If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, you are welcome to take Communion. If you are not a believer in Jesus Christ, Scripture commands that you refrain taking Communion. (I Corinthians 11:26-31)

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please see the pastor after the service and he or one of our church leaders will be glad to speak with you.

**Passage of Study**

**Luke 14:1-14**

**1**It happened that when He went into the house of one of the leaders of the Pharisees on *the* Sabbath to eat bread, they were watching Him closely. **2**And there in front of Him was a man suffering from dropsy. **3**And Jesus answered and spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, “Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?” **4**But they kept silent. And He took hold of him and healed him and sent him away. **5**And He said to them, “Which one of you will have a son or an ox fall into a well and will not immediately pull him out on a Sabbath day?” **6**And they could make no reply to this.

**7**And He *began* speaking a parable to the invited guests when He noticed how they had been picking out the places of honor *at the table*, saying to them, **8**“When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him, **9**and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give *your* place to this man,’ and then in disgrace you proceed to occupy the last place. **10**But when you are invited, go and recline at the last place, so that when the one who has invited you comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will have honor in the sight of all who are at the table with you. **11**For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

**12**And He also went on to say to the one who had invited Him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, otherwise they may also invite you in return and *that* will be your repayment. **13**But when you give a reception, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, **14**and you will be blessed, since they do not have *the means* to repay you; for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

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