

## **GOSPEL CULTURE: SATISFIED**

**Text: Isaiah 55:1-7**

God invites everyone into a satisfying covenant, but many prefer the world and reject His divine invitation.

### **INVITATION:**

- 1) **WHO'S INVITED?** Isaiah 55:1a
  - a) **THE THIRSTY:** God cares for the thirsty – Hosea 13:5. See also: John 4:10,13-14
  - b) **THE BROKE:**
    - i) God owns EVERYTHING – Exodus 19:5, Psalm 50:12, Haggai 2:8
    - ii) Only the BROKE recognize they have NOTHING to offer God – Romans 6:23
- 2) **WHAT'S BEING SERVED?** 55:1b
  - a) **WATER:** God offers water to REFRESH the thirsty – Isaiah 48:21, Psalm 23:2-3
  - b) **MILK:** God offers milk for Christians to GROW – 1 Peter 2:2
  - c) **WINE:** God offers wine for JOY – Ecclesiastes 9:7
- 3) **WHAT ARE WE BEING INVITED TO? REPENTANCE** – Isaiah 55:6-7
  - a) Repentance produces **REFRESHMENT** – Acts 3:19
  - b) Repentance produces **FRUIT** – Matthew 3:8
  - c) Repentance is an invitation into deeper **JOY**

### **INVITATION REJECTION:**

- 1) We all want to **REJECT** the invite and give **LAME EXCUSES** – Luke 14:18-20
  - Lame excuse 1: I have house work
  - Lame excuse 2: I have to work on my truck/tractor
  - Lame excuse 3: My spouse/significant other won't let me
- 2) We **LABOR** for **DISSATISFACTION** – Isaiah 55:2a. See Also: Ecclesiastes 1:14
- 3) **APART** from God, we will remain **DISSATISFIED** – Ecclesiastes 2:25
- 4) **A STERN WARNING:** Eventually, God retracts the invite and leaves us – Isaiah 55:6, Luke 14:24, Matthew 21:43, Matthew 22:13

**INVITATION ACCEPTANCE:** David's Covenant – Isaiah 55:3b,4 – Isaiah was talking about **JESUS** – John 12:37-43

- 1) **WITNESS:** A witness proclaims, but also has outward transformation
- 2) **LEADER:** The leader is the greatest servant – Luke 22:26-29
- 3) **COMMANDER:** Commanders first join in suffering and please Christ – 2 Timothy 2:3-4, Luke 16:10

### **BE SATISFIED:**

- 1) **OUR** satisfaction is to **ACCOMPLISH** the **WILL** of God – John 4:34
- 2) **RESPOND** to God – Isaiah 55:5
- 3) God's **GRACE** is **GREATER** – Isaiah 55:7b

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### **Gospel In Life Questions**

- 1) **BELIEVE:** WHAT TRUTHS did God REVEAL to me through His Word today about HIM and/or MYSELF?
- 2) **ASSESS:** HOW do these truths ENCOURAGE and/or CHALLENGE (convict) ME?
- 3) **PROCESS:** WHY is this message GOOD NEWS (GOSPEL) to ME today? (CONNECT the GOSPEL story to MY present story)
- 4) **CHANGE:** WHERE will I APPLY (BELIEVE, REPENT, DO) this message in MY own life this week?
- 5) **PROCLAIM:** WHO does God want ME to share these truths with this week?