

Luke 14:1-24
For the week of 2/15/26

Reflection

1. What were some of the insights for you from Sunday's sermon?

Read verses 1-6.

2. Why were the rulers "watching him carefully"? (See Luke 20:19-20, Mark 3:1-2)

3. Why did Jesus respond to the Lawyers and Pharisees if no one spoke or asked a question?

4. Read and respond to this commentary excerpt on verses 2-4:

Before he took action, Jesus asked whether it was lawful to heal on the sabbath. It was an awkward question to answer. According to the rabbinic regulations it certainly was not lawful; healing could take place on the sabbath only when there was danger to life. In this case the man would probably not have died if the case had been stood over until sundown. To agree to healing under these circumstances could lead to an accusation that they were 'soft' on law enforcement. But on the other hand, lawful might mean 'contained in the law of Moses'. There is nothing in Scripture to forbid such healing; it was the rabbinic interpretation of Scripture that was the source of the rule. To insist publicly on this interpretation might lead to a charge of indifference to human suffering. Small wonder that they were silent. But their silence before the miracle made it more than difficult for them to complain afterwards. Jesus healed the man and dismissed him.¹

5. Compare and contrast verses 5-6 to Matthew 22:41-46.

Read verses 7-11.

6. How do these verses speak of humility?

(See Luke 18:14, Matthew 18:4, 1 Peter 5:6-7, James 4:6))

Read verses 12-14.

7. How do these verses speak of generosity?

¹ Leon Morris, [*Luke: An Introduction and Commentary*](#), vol. 3, Tyndale New Testament Commentaries (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1988), 248.

Read verses 15-24.

8. What is Jesus saying about the kingdom of heaven in these verses?

Personal Application:

9. Is God's invitation to be with Him and serve for Him THE priority in your life?
Why or why not?