

# RSVP

Isaiah 25:6-9 | Philippians 4:4-13 | Matthew 22:1-14

What a wedding teaches us about \_\_\_\_\_

Invitation invites \_\_\_\_\_

Investing in an \_\_\_\_\_

So much \_\_\_\_\_

Your \_\_\_\_\_ matters

So, please, \_\_\_\_\_

READ. REFLECT. RESPOND. REMEMBER.

Weddings are, typically, joy filled events. Guests, food, gifts, vows, etc. The Bible will frequently use weddings (and marriage) as a metaphor for God's relationship with Israel, in Jesus, us. Weddings in the Bible evoke *togetherness* with God. Read Matthew 22:1-14

Reflect:

Has there ever been a wedding you were invited to that you didn't want to go to? Why?

How does Jesus stress the importance of this wedding?

"Few are chosen" is an interesting phrase that, maybe, is better understood as "few are ready." In Matthew 25:1:13, there is another instance of a wedding party starting but not all are ready. How does that reading help with this reading?

Respond:

Yes.

God invites – what is the response?

Remember:

8 'Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. 9 So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.'