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**Luke 14:1-6**  
**Lunch with some Pharisee's**

**Over and over again God attacks right action that doesn't have a right heart to it. So right action without the right heart is in no way pleasing to God.**

Isaiah 29:13 (NIV) 13 *The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is made up only of*

Luke 14:1 (NIV) 1 *One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.*

Luke 6:6-7 (NIV) 6 *On another Sabbath he went into the synagogue and was teaching, and a man was there whose right hand was shriveled. 7 The Pharisees and the teachers of the law were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal on the Sabbath.*

**Does the Bible ever say people can't be healed or go to the doctor on the sabbath?**

Luke 14:2 (NIV) 2 *There in front of him was a man suffering from dropsy.*

Luke 14:3 (NIV) 3 *Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in the law, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?"*

Luke 14:4a (NIV) *But they remained silent.*

Luke 14:4b (NIV) *But they remained silent. So taking hold of the man, he healed him and sent him away.*

Luke 14:5 (NIV) 5 *Then he asked them, "If one of you has a son or an ox that falls into a well on the Sabbath day, will you not immediately pull him out?"*

Luke 13:15 (NIV) 15 *The Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? Who are you kidding?"*

Luke 14:1-6 (NIV) 6 *And they had nothing to say.*

Isaiah 29:13 (NIV) 13 *The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. Their worship of me is made up only of rules taught by men.*

James 2:14-17 (NIV) 14 *What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? 15 Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. 16 If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? 17 In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.*

**A right heart with God, compelled to do right actions, is what is pleasing to God.**

**Discussion Questions: (For your Life Group or Personal Study)**

1. **Opening:** What is the one thing you are going to do or go to once this Covid19 thing is over! What have you missed most (beyond church services of course...hah!)?
2. Read Luke 14:1. Here are the people that in a sense, were the Lord's enemies, inviting him to lunch! If you were Jesus,

would you have gone? What does it say about Jesus that he accepted the invitation and went?

3. Read Luke 14:1, 6:7, & 13:53-54. What was the purpose behind the dinner invitation? Have you ever invited people to a meal for the wrong reasons?
4. Read Luke 14:1-2, 5-6. What do you think Dropsy Dan is doing at this dinner? What was the Pharisees' attitude about the man and about healing the man on the Sabbath?
5. Read Luke 14:3-4. Why did Jesus ask the Pharisees their opinion first? What was Jesus trying to expose?
6. Where have we been or are we blind to the work of the Holy Spirit because of our own traditions? Are there any places in your life where rules trump compassion and grace?

**Closing thought:** What is one thing you are going to do differently having studied this passage?