

A KING'S BANQUET

SESSION 8



Text Truth: **God invites all people to be His friends.**

Bible Verse: **Go out and make them [people] come in, so that my house may be filled. Luke 14:23**

Bible Verse Paraphrase: **Go out and invite people so God's house may be filled. Luke 14:23**

For Kids
and
Parents

MATTHEW 22:1-14

One day Jesus told a story about a king who planned a special banquet and invited many people. This is the story:

A king decided to have a celebration, a banquet, and have many people come to his palace. The king prepared special food for everyone to enjoy at the banquet. The servants made everything ready for the special event.

The king sent his servants to the towns and villages nearby to invite people to come to the banquet. The king said: "Tell all the people to come to the banquet."

The servants went out just as the king commanded. They told people about the special banquet and invited the people to join the king. But no one listened. No one was interested. The people just went back to their work. Some of the people even hurt the king's servants who had invited them.

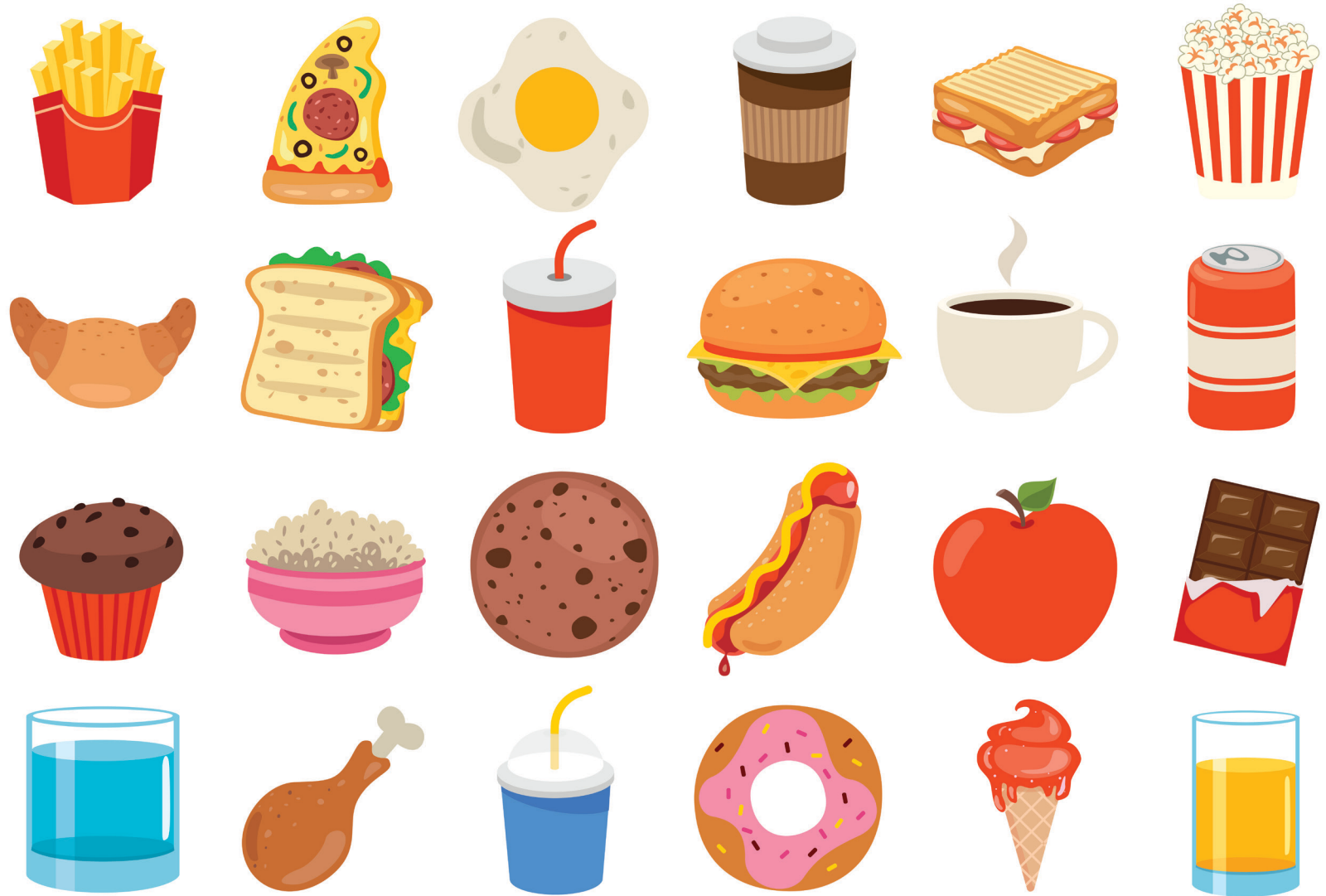
This made the king angry. He punished the people for not coming to his banquet.

Then the king told his servants to go out again and invite other people to the banquet. The servants invited many more people, and these people went to the banquet. The king's banquet hall was filled with guests.

The king was pleased with the people who joined him. But he was not pleased about the people who chose not to come.

Prepare for a Party

Jesus told a story about a king who planned a special party and invited many people to come. If you were to plan a party, who would you invite? Look at the pictures below and circle the foods you would serve to your guests.



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