GOD'S INVITATION LUKE 14:33 / 8-4-19 / AM

I. FIRST, WE SAY YES TO GOD'S INVITATION TO JOIN HIM BY EXPRESSING OUR FAITH.

- A. Last week we saw that our first response to God's assignment to us is to experience a "crisis of belief".
- B. This means we doubt ourselves or <u>God</u> or both. Why? Because God's assignments are always bigger than we are.
- C. This is a point where we must decide what we really <u>believe</u> about God.
- D. It's a place where we must express our <u>faith</u> in God to enable us to complete his assignment—Hebrews 11:6.

II. SECOND, WE SAY YES TO GOD'S INVITATION TO JOIN HIM WHAT HE IS DOING BY WHAT WE DO.

- A. We must make <u>major</u> adjustments in our lives to join God in what he is doing. This is the sixth of the Seven Realities of God.
 - 1. Many Christians today want God to use them but they are unwilling to disrupt their lives to do it.
 - 2. It's impossible, though, to go with God and <u>stay</u> where you are at the same time.
 - 3. Other people made major adjustments in their lives to follow God. For example...
 - a. Noah built an ark.
 - b. Abraham moved to a new country.
 - c. Moses and David gave up shepherding.
 - d. Peter gave up his fishing business.
 - e. Matthew gave up his tax business.

- 4. Even <u>Jesus</u> made major adjustments to follow God—2 Cor. 8:9--2 Corinthians 8:9.
- B. What kind of adjustments does God ask us to make? Different for all of us.
 - 1. He doesn't ask everyone to <u>leave</u> their jobs.
 - 2. He does ask all of us to make our lives available to him.
 - 3. One example might be in the area of our <u>finances</u>—Matt 6:24.
 - 4. Another area where we may need to make major adjustments is in the area of our morality.
- C. What happens if we aren't willing to make these adjustments?
 - 1, Jesus tells us—Luke 14:33.
 - 2. Example of one who wouldn't--Matthew 19:21-22.