Your Presence is Requested . . .

“Your Homecoming Invitation!”

John 12:27-35

In Heaven!
John 3:16, John 14:2-3

“When we all get to heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be!”

No more (see Rev. 21:4)
“death... mourning, crying, or pain...”

Instead: rest, the saints, the Lord in all His glory!

Best news: you’re invited!
The Message in Your Invitation

“(God) who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth” (1 Timothy 2:4).

Q: will you accept? (John 1:12)
Heaven’s Homecoming Described!

“After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches were in their hands; and they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” (Rev. 7:9-10).
Your Invitation Is Found In John 12:32, “Drawing To Himself”

So how does He “draw” us?? “No one can come to the Jesus unless he is “drawn” by the Father” (John 6:44).

1. **By His love** – “But God demonstrates His love in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us...” (Romans 5:8).

2. **By His kindness** – “...knowing that the kindness of God leads to repentance...” (Romans 2:4).
His “Draw” Is YOUR Invitation (cont’d)

3. **His Call to Holiness**! Responding “yes” to Jesus means saying “no” to sin

* As people are saved, God is glorified (Luke 15:7,10).

Church = “ekklesia” – “ones called out”
Why An Invitation and Response Is Necessary!

Judgment on sin is rendered (John 12:31):
1. By faith, at the cross (2 Corinthians 5:21) (or)
2. Great White Throne Judgment (Rev. 20:11)

* The “present” Judgment:
“And this is the judgment, that the light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light; for their deeds were evil” (John 3:19).
Jesus’ Invitation to You:
“Walk While You Have the Light!” Vs. 35

“I will draw YOU to Myself...”