

Skit:

Characters: Narrator, King, servant of king #1, servant of the king #2, farmer, business man, man who seized and killed servant #1, Guest #1, Guest #2, Guest # 3 without wedding garment.

Props needed: table half set for feast, robe and crown for king, farmer clothes, businessman clothes, wedding garment for guest 1 & 2

Narrator: Open bible to Mathew 22:1-14 Read And Jesus answered and spoke to them in parables and said: " The kingdom of Heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son.

King: *Servant come and finish setting the table. It is almost time for the wedding of my son. He should be here anytime and we are not quite ready.*

Servant #1 nods his head and finishes setting table.

King: *I need another servant to go get the invitations. I need to look at them to make sure they are perfect for this occasion.*

Servant #2 goes to get the invitations and hand them to the king and stands there as the king looks it over.

The king looks over the invitations. Servant # 1 is done setting table and comes to stand next to Servant # 2

King: *(the king hands the invitations to both servants) Please take these invitations to our special guests. This is an important time and they are*

Servants leave and walk around finding nobody interested in coming.

Servant #1: *(pretends to hand to someone) Please come to the wedding the king has prepared for his son. It will be a gallant event! Oh, your too busy? (walks away sad)*

Servant #2: *Oh it is great to see you. (Holds out invitation like there is someone there) Here is a personal invitation just for you it is to the wedding of the kings son. You can't make it? Oh I am sure the king will be very disappointed. Sorry you can't come. (Walks away in a different direction)*

Servant walk towards each other.

Servant #1: *Wow, everyone is busy. No one had time to come to this very special event.*

Servant #2: *Yeah, it is really odd. This should be the most important thing to go to. It is the place to go. The King has done a lot for these people and they should come!*

Servant #1: He will be real disappointed. He has put a lot of time and money into this wedding for his son. What is he going to do now?

Begin walking towards the king, who is standing near table looking off into distance.

Servant #2: I think it is time to return. We will just have to tell him that nobody wants to come. You know some were very rude to me.

Servant#1: Yeah, they were kinda nasty to me to. Don't they understand that this is important to the king. They just don't seem to care at all.

(meet the king)

Servant #2: My Lord, we have been all over to invite your guests to the wedding and nobody can come.

King: Wow that is really surprising! Please go out and invite them again. Maybe they didn't understand how important this wedding is.

Servant #2 okay, we will go out again to invite. Maybe it just wasn't a good time to invite.
(looks at servant 1) Lets Go.

Servant #1: Oh there is the farmer. He is on our list to invite to the wedding. *(walks over to farmer handing him an invitation)* The king is having a wedding for his son and he would like you to come. Here is Your invitation. He has prepared the dinner, the oxen and the fatlings are killed, and all things are ready. Please come.

Farmer: *(refuses to take invitation)* I don't have time. I have a farm to run. The king might have time to have this party, but some of us have to work. What was he thinking?

Servant #2: Oh look over there. There is the merchant to invite lets go.
(they both walk over to him) Sir, The king is having a wedding for his son and he would like you to come. Here is Your invitation. He has prepared the dinner, the oxen and the fatlings are killed, and all things are ready. Please come.

Merchant: *(refuses to take invitation)* I am a very busy merchant. I never have time away from work. I need to go check my merchandise. Nobody will do it for me. Unlike the king, He can just have you do his work. I am not so fortunate. I must do the work myself if it is to get done. I must leave.

Narrator: *(with bible open read Mathew 22:5)* But they made light of it and went their ways one to his farm and another to his merchandise. And the remnant took his servants and treated them spitefully, and slew them. But when the king heard this he was wroth, and he

sent forth his armies and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their cities. Then he called other servants.

King: servants come, here are the invitations for my sons wedding. The first guests invited were not worthy to be invited. So I want you to out into the highways and the alleys, anywhere there is someone that would like to come to my son's wedding. Please take these garments, they are nice and clean. I want each guest that is invited to come in this garment. Hurry!

(servants see guest 1 & 2 and walk over to them)

Servant#1: Oh it is great to see you. Here is a personal invitation just for you it is to the wedding of the king's son. He has prepared the dinner, the oxen and the fatlings are killed, and all things are ready. Please come.

Guest #1: Oh that is so kind of the king. I would love to come. Can I bring anything to help?

Servant #1: No. He has prepared everything. This is a very important time for him and he has asked that you wear this fine garment. It is important that it is worn in his honor.

(Hands both guests a garment, they take it and put it on and begin to walk to the wedding)

Guest #2: Thank you very much! I am excited that I have been invited to such a grand occasion. I will wear this with honor!

Servant #2: Look there is another person we can invite. Lets go see if he is busy. *(Walks over to guest #3 and hands an invitation)* I want to invite you to the wedding of the King's son. He has prepared the dinner, the oxen and the fatlings are killed, and all things are ready. Please come. It is going to be the biggest event the king has ever held.

Guest #3: Wow! What an honor to be invited. I would love to come!

(servant hands him a garment)

Servant#1: You must wear this garment to the wedding. It is of the finest linens and will be a perfect fit for you. It is important for you to wear this.

Guest #3: fine. Thanks *(takes the garment servants walk away. He begins to talk to himself)* I will get ready right away. But, I have better clothes than this. I am going to wear what I have on. I worked very hard to be able to buy these clothes and there is nothing wrong with them. *(throws garment on ground and goes to wedding)*

Narrator: (read Mathew 22:11) And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there was a man which had not the wedding garment.

King: I am excited that you could join us. Today is a day of honor for me as I will be giving away my son to be married. *(looks at guest #3)* What is going on? Were you given a garment to wear to this dinner?

Narrator: (continue to read from the bible Mathew 22:12b-13) And he was speechless. Then the king said to his servants, bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called but few are chosen.

Puppets come in after skit.

Skit 4-wedding

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