Matthew Chapter 22 Student

Contents: Parable of the marriage feast. *JESUS*' answer to the Herodians. Sadducees and Pharisees.

Characters: GOD, JESUS, lawyer.

Conclusion: The gospel call invites all to the great marriage feast. Some wickedly reject **CHRIST**'s invitations. Some think to intrude in the rags of their hypocrisy (See Romans 3:22) but the humble will gladly accept the invitation and will be satisfied. It is not one's cleverness, intellect or reason that makes us acceptable to **GOD**, but our humble acceptance of HIS call and partaking of the feast HE has provided.

Key Word: Unworthy guests, 8, 12, 18.

Strong Verses: 9, 21, 37, 38, 39.

Striking Facts: The invitation to the marriage feast which was first extended to Israel through the bodily presence of **JESUS** (7), was greeted with violence and the King fulfilled the latter part of the verse in A. D. 70. The world-wide call then went forth (Matthew 28:16-20; 9) to "as many as would receive" (John 1:12). The man without a wedding garment represents those who believe that they will be accepted in their own righteousness rather than the righteousness of **JESUS CHRIST**. Romans 10:1-3; Isaiah 64:6; Philippians 3:9.

Questions:

- 1. What were the excuses used for not attending the wedding feast?
- 2. What did the people do to the heralds of the wedding?
- 3. What was the King's response?
- 4. Why was the "commonly-dressed" guest assaulted?
- 5. What was the question that the Pharisees and Herodians asked JESUS with a goal of tricking **HIM**?
- 6. What Scriptures refer to the Levirate Law and what didn't the Sadducees understand?

Bonus Question: Who do you think JESUS was calling "neighbor"?