



Imagine receiving an invitation to the White House to enjoy a meal with the president and vice president (or the CEO of the company for which you work, or the owner of your favorite sport team) and being too busy to bother? Jesus ended chapter 13 with a declaration of His heart for the salvation of people. If Jesus has such compassion for them, what keeps so many people out of heaven?

B.L.U.F. (Bottom Line Up Front): *There are reasons why people reject God's invitation to heaven.*

Note the setting (v. 1), observations (v. 1 & 7), & the theme (v. 15, 23b).

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### 1. False \_\_\_\_\_ v. 1-6

Jesus has faced this before – see previous sermons from Luke 6 (*Why D disdain Religion*) & 13 (*Your Religion is Wrong*). Luke 6:7 Trusting man-made religion based on good works is a primary reason why many people reject God's offer of salvation via grace. They opt for human effort over God's grace. Why do they do that?

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### 2. Human \_\_\_\_\_ v. 7-11

Jesus watched the charade! Human pride on display. Set up for being “put down” by God (v. 11). Do you see yourself as God does?

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### 3. Rejected \_\_\_\_\_ v. 12-24

- 1) God's Invitation to the Masses v. 16-17
- 2) Man's Rejection of God's Invitation v. 18-20
  - ⇒ Wealth
  - ⇒ Employment
  - ⇒ Family
- 3) God's Invitation to the Nobodies v. 21-23  
*That's how I got invited!* 1 Cor. 1:22-31

Let's be like God (v. 12-15) and invite nobodies – in heaven you'll be glad you did!



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*Are you delivering the invitations?*