Filling The Father's House Luke 14:15-27

Followers of Christ are to "Beat the Bushes" for the Lord.

People make many <u>EXCUSES</u> why they don't come to Christ. (vv.18-20)

How are Believers called to "Beat the Bushes" & "Fill The Father's House?"

1. "THE MASTER SAID TO THE SERVANT"

- This phrase <u>Describes</u> our <u>RELATIONSHIP</u> & our <u>ROLE</u> in God's service.
- Christians are <u>CALLED</u> to be <u>Servants</u> of God.
- Our <u>Purpose</u> in life is to <u>Serve</u> God & <u>Bring</u> Glory to His Name. (Isaiah 43:7)

2. "GO OUT"

- This phrase **Describes** our **FUNCTION**.
- Jesus **Commanded** His servants to **GO** & **Bring People TO THE MASTER.** (Matt. 28:19)
- We should see Church Services & Events as a <u>TOOL</u>.

3. "INTO THE HIGHWAYS AND HEDGES"

- This Refers to our <u>FOCUS</u>.
- Jesus Reached out to many Unlikely people.
- Jesus provided a <u>Picture</u> of what <u>WE</u> as a church <u>Can</u> be, <u>Should</u> be & <u>Will</u> be.
- The Father's house is a REAL BIG House & it's NOT FULL YET!!

4. "AND COMPEL THEM TO COME IN"

- This describes our **APPROACH**.
- They won't <u>HEAR</u> what you <u>SHARE</u> until they know that you <u>CARE</u>.
- SO Many People have NEVER Heard the Good News of Jesus Christ.
- DO YOU <u>CARE</u>? SHARING <u>IS</u> CARING!

5. "THAT MY FATHER'S HOUSE MAY BE <u>FILLED</u>"

- That phrase describes the **RESULT**.
- God Wants His Kingdom FILLED with those who LOVE Him.
- "Whoever <u>Refuses</u> to Die to "Self" & <u>Follow</u> Jesus can't even <u>BE</u> His Servant." (Luke 14:27)
- <u>BROADCAST</u> YOUR "3 Minute Redemption Story" that IT may be used "FILL the Father's House."