

Come and Dine
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Psalm 81

1. Jesus has a table spread
Where the saints of God are fed,
He invites His chosen people, "Come and dine";
With His manna He doth feed
And supplies our every need:
Oh, 'tis sweet to sup with Jesus all the time!

Refrain:

"Come and dine," the Master calleth, "Come and dine";
You may feast at Jesus' table all the time;
He Who fed the multitude, turned the water into wine,
To the hungry calleth now, "Come and dine."

2. The disciples came to land,
Thus obeying Christ's command,
For the Master called unto them, "Come and dine";
There they found their heart's desire,
Bread and fish upon the fire;
Thus He satisfies the hungry every time.

Refrain

3. Soon the Lamb will take His bride
To be ever at His side,
All the host of heaven will assembled be;
Oh, 'twill be a glorious sight,
All the saints in spotless white;
And with Jesus they will feast eternally.

Refrain

¹ Sing aloud to God our strength;
shout for joy to the God of Jacob!

² **Raise a song, sound the tambourine,
the sweet lyre with the harp.**

³ Blow the trumpet at the new moon,
at the full moon, on our feast day.

⁴ **For it is a statute for Israel,
an ordinance of the God of Jacob,**

⁵ **who made it a decree in Joseph,
when God went out over the land of Egypt.**

I hear a voice I do not know:

⁶ **"I relieved your shoulder of the burden;
your hands were freed from the basket.**

⁷ In distress you called, and I delivered you;
I answered you in the secret place of thunder;

I tested you at the waters of Meribah.

⁸ **Hear, O my people, while I admonish you!
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!**

⁹ There shall be no strange god among you;
you shall not bow down to a foreign god.

¹⁰ **I am the Lord your God,
who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.
Open your mouth wide and I will fill it."**

Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15, 16

13 Let brotherly love continue. ² Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so *doing* some have unwittingly entertained angels. ³ Remember the prisoners as if chained with them—those who are mistreated—since you yourselves are in the body also.

⁴ Marriage *is* honorable among all, and the bed undefiled; but fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

⁵ *Let your conduct be* without covetousness; *be* content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." ⁶ So we may boldly say:

"The LORD is my helper;
I will not fear.
What can man do to me?"

⁷ Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of *their* conduct. ⁸ Jesus Christ *is* the same yesterday, today, and forever.

¹⁵ Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of *our* lips, giving thanks to His name.

¹⁶ But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

St Luke 14: 1, 7-14

14 Now it happened, as He went into the house of one of the rulers of the Pharisees to eat bread on the Sabbath, that they watched Him closely.

⁷ So He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noted how they chose the best places, saying to them: ⁸ "When you are invited by anyone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in the best place, lest one more honorable than you be invited by him; ⁹ and he who invited you and him come and say to you, 'Give place to this man,' and then you begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit down in the lowest place, so that when he who invited you comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, go up higher.' Then you will have glory in the presence of those who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

¹² Then He also said to him who invited Him, "When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back, and you be repaid. ¹³ But when you give a feast, invite *the* poor, *the* maimed, *the* lame, *the* blind. ¹⁴ And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just."