



**CALLLED**

**BUT NOT CHOSEN**

*Matthew 22:1-14*



# ARE ONLY A FEW SAVED?

## **Matthew 20:16**

So the last will be first, and the first last. For many are called, but few chosen.

## **Matthew 22:14**

For many are called, but few are chosen.

## **Matthew 7:14**

Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.



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## Defining A “Few”:

- Dictionary.com: A small number; Hardly any
- Strong: puny in number
- Thayer: small quantity
- Vine: few, little, small, slight

## 1 Peter 3:20

who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.



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## The Numbers Have Always Been Few

- **Sodom and Gomorrah?**
  - Only three (**Genesis 18:22-32; 19:15, 26**)
- **Jericho?**
  - Only Rahab and her family (**Joshua 2, 6**)
- **Pentecost?**
  - 3,000 (**Acts 2**)



# **CALLED VS. CHOSEN**

## **Parable Of The Wedding Feast (Matthew 22:1-14)**

- **“Called” = “invited, appointed”**
  - *The “many” are those called/invited to enter into the kingdom*
- **“Chosen” = “picked out, selected, elected”**
  - *The “few” are those who appropriately respond to the invitation to enter into the kingdom*



# **CALLED & CHOSEN!**

## **2 Thessalonians 2:13-14**

But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth, to which He called you by our gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Mark 16:16**

He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.



# **CALLED & CHOSEN!**

## **Colossians 1:23**

if indeed you continue in the faith, grounded and steadfast, and are not moved away from the hope of the gospel which you heard, which was preached to every creature under heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister.

## **Ephesians 4:1**

I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called

## **2 Peter 1:5-11**



**ARE YOU  
ONE OF THE  
CHOSEN?**