

**GUESS WHOS COMING TO DINNER! 1967 Best Actress K. HEPBURN
NO SEAT AT THE TABLE**

JOHN 14:30

John 14:28 Remember what I told you: I am going away, but I will come back to you again. If you really loved me, you would be happy that I am going to the Father, who is greater than I am.

John 14:29 I have told you these things before they happen so that when they do happen, you will believe.

John 14:30 "I don't have much more time to talk to you, because the ruler of this world approaches. He has no power over me,

Ephesians 4:21 Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him,:22 throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception.:23 Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes.24 Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy. 25 So stop telling lies. Let us tell our neighbors the truth, for we are all parts of the same body.26 And "don't sin by letting anger control you." Don't let the sun go down while you are still angry,27 for anger gives a foothold to the devil.28 If you are a thief, quit stealing. Instead, use your hands for good hard work, and then give generously to others in need.29 Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.:30 And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, he has identified you as his own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption.:31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior.: 32 Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.

EPH. 4:27

ESV - NO OPPORTUNITY

KJV- NEITHER GIVE PLACE

NIV- Foothold

John 14:30

NIV - NO HOLD

ESV - NO CLAIM

INTRODUCTION

GOD SHOWED ME THAT HIS PEOPLE WERE FIGHTING SPIRITUAL, EMOTIONAL, MENTAL, PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL BATTLES THAT HE HAD NOT CALLED THEM INTO. HIS PEOPLE HAVE INVITED THE ENEMY INTO THE DINING ROOM OF THEIR THINKING AND NOW WERE CONSUMED WITH DRIVING HIM OUT.

DON'T LET THE DEVIL RIDE

**Don't let the Devil ride
Oh don't let the devil ride
'Cause if you let him ride
He'll want to try to drive
Don't let him ride**

STORY: TURTLE AND THE SNAKE

I. THE ENEMY CANNOT COME TO THE BELIEVERS TABLE UNLESS INVITED

JESUS SAID HERE HE COMES BUT HE CANT COME IN

John 14:30 "I don't have much more time to talk to you, because the ruler of this world approaches. He has no power over me,

LIKE A LION WHOM HE MAY DEVOUR

1 Peter 5:8 Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.

REV 5:5 LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH

II. WHERE DOES THE ENEMY GET HIS INVITATIONS FROM.....

ASSOCIATIONS

WHO YOU ASSOCIATE WITH DETERMINES WHO YOU HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH

THIS IS NOT SPOOKY TERRITORY.....

- 1. ASSOCIATIONS THAT THEIR NATURE IS AGAINST THE WORD**
- 2. ASSOCIATIONS THAT PRODUCE INTERNAL ISSUES THAT ROB YOU OF PEACE**
- 3. ASSOCIATIONS THAT PLACE NO VALUE ON THE KINGDOM**

MATT 6:33

Matthew 6:33 Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.

CONVERSATIONS

WHO YOU HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH DETERMINES WHAT YOU DECISIONS YOU MAKE

- 1. WORDS THAT BUILD UP (NOT ABUSIVE OR PROFANE)**
- 2. WORDS THAT RELEASE TRUTH (GOOD AND HELPFUL)**
- 3. WORDS THAT WORSHIP**

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DECISIONS

Decisions are either made by the FLESH OR SPIRIT

WHAT GETS SATISFIED?

Romans 8:5 Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit.

Romans 8:6 So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace.

Romans 8:13 For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But if through the power of the Spirit you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature, you will live.

Romans 8:14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

III. ONCE YOU INVITE HIM EXPECT HIM TO BE HIMSELF

John 10:10 The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.

CONDEMN

Revelation 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice shouting across the heavens,

"It has come at last—

salvation and power

and the Kingdom of our God,

and the authority of his Christ.

For the accuser of our brothers and sisters

has been thrown down to earth—

the one who accuses them

before our God day and night.

CONFUSE

Nehemiah 4:7 But when Sanballat and Tobiah and the Arabs, Ammonites, and Ashdodites heard that the work was going ahead

and that the gaps in the wall of Jerusalem were being repaired, they were furious.

Nehemiah 4:8 They all made plans to come and fight against Jerusalem and throw us into confusion.

CONQUER

Matthew 16:18 Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means 'rock'), and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it.

DON'T LET THE DEVIL RIDE

Don't let the Devil ride
Oh don't let the devil ride
'Cause if you let him ride
He'll want to try to drive
Don't let him ride

Don't let him flag you down
Don't let him flag you down
If he flags you down
He'll turn your soul around
Don't let him ride

Don't let him be your boss
Don't let him be your boss

If you let him be your boss
He'll make your soul be lost
Don't let him ride

Don't let him ride with you
Don't let him ride with you
If he ride with you
He'll tell what to do
Don't let him ride!