

At that time: Jesus spoke

to the chief priests and the

Pharisees in parables, say-

ing: The kingdom of heaven

is likened to a king, who

made a marriage for his son;

and he sent his servants, to

call them that were invited

to the marriage, and they

would not come. Again he

sent other servants, saying:

Tell them that were in-

vited: Behold, I have pre-

pared my dinner; my beeves

and fatlings are killed, and

all things are ready; come

ye to the marriage. But

they neglected: and went

their ways, one to his farm,

and another to his merchan-

dise; and the rest laid hands

on his servants, and having

treated them contumeliously,

put them to death. But

when the king had heard

of it, he was angry; and

sending his armies, he de-

stroyed those murderers, and

burnt their city. Then he

saith to his servants: The

marriage indeed is ready, but

they that were invited were

not worthy. Go ye therefore

into the highways, and as

many as you shall find, call

to the marriage. And his

servants going forth into the

ways, gathered together all

that they found, both bad

and good; and the mar-



riage was filled with guests.

And the king went in to

see the guests; and he saw

there a man who had not

a wedding garment: and he

saith to him: Friend, how

camest thou in hither, not

having on a wedding gar-

ment? but he was silent.

Then the king said to the

waiters: Bind his hands and

feet, and cast him into the

exterior darkness: there shall

be weeping and gnashing of

teeth. For many are called,

but few are chosen.