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"Marriage Of The Lamb"

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What the Father has put on my heart to share with you is the "Marriage of the Lamb"! We are going to talk about the "Marriage of the Lamb", the "Marriage Supper", and we are going to be touching on a lot of other areas as well. We are going to expound on the importance of the "Marriage of the Lamb" and what all of this means.

God is the one who instituted marriage in the natural, and we are going to see how He often gives us examples of things in the natural to help us understand the things of the Spirit. A marriage is a union and a coming together in total oneness. It is where two become one in the Father through Christ.

GOD'S SONS ARE BEING BROUGHT INTO A PLACE OF TOTAL ONENESS WITH THE LAMB. WE HAVE BEEN CALLED TO THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB, AND THROUGH OUR UNION WITH THE SON OF GOD (CHRIST IN US), HE IS ALSO BRINGING US TO THE PLACE IN HIM WHERE WE WILL BE TOTALLY ONE WITH EACH OTHER. HE IS BRINGING US TO THE PLACE IN HIM WHERE WE MUST EVEN MARRY ONE ANOTHER. (I'm talking about a marriage or union

in the Spirit here, not in the natural).

A marriage with the Lamb, a marriage with the Sons, a marriage with the Church, then ultimately a marriage with the world (all creation becoming one in the Father through the Lamb)! It just gets bigger and bigger! I am so excited about what God is doing in us today, and for what we are about to enter into in Him!

We are hoping that by the time this article is finished, you will be able to see what the "Marriage of the Lamb" **IS**, as well as the order of things, and how He's going to bring all this about. God is the one who instituted marriage, and we are going to see why He did this.

Even with Adam in the beginning, He brought male and female together. He put them together and caused them to have a union for a purpose - because the Father knew that He needed the 'woman' in order to reproduce HIMSELF!

As we have stated in the past, the 'woman' is the 'soul', and the 'soul' is where God reproduces Himself. The reason God awakens our soul (mind) and draws us to Himself, is so that He can purify our soul (the bride) and bring us into a union/oneness with Himself.

And it is out of this union that the CHRIST/the man child/the Sons of God are being birthed for all creation to see the FATHER in His Son(s)! This is what THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB is all about - it is to manifest His glory in the earth!

We know that there is both a natural marriage and a Spiritual marriage. We also know that some of you are married in the natural and some are single, but none of you are ever alone! Even those that are single have a husband, because every individual whether they are single or married, are to have a marriage with Christ. Each and every one of us is to walk in oneness with Christ, and as our husband, He is always faithful to provide for our every need.

It is very interesting that in Matthew 22:2 Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son...". You see God prepared the Kingdom specifically for one reason - so that He could create a marriage for His Son. It is in the Father's plan for EVERY INDIVIDUAL (all creation) to be reconciled and return back to the place that they had in Him before the foundation of the earth. Because when every individual has come back into

God, ALL CREATION WILL HAVE A MARRIAGE WITH THE LAMB! ALL CREATION WILL BE ONE IN HIM - AND WITH HIM - AND WITH EACH OTHER! THERE WILL BE NO MORE DIVISION, ENMITY, OR STRIFE - ONLY THE NATURE OF GOD IN ALL HIS CREATION! 1Corinthians 15:28 says, *"For when all things shall be subdued unto Him, then shall the Son also be subject unto Him that put all things under Him, that God may be all and in all."*

Jesus went to the cross to fulfill the Word of God and make atonement for man's sin so that we could come to this marriage and be one with God again. Sin had separated man from God, but the word "**atonement**" means: the reparation of a wrong or harmful act; **the reconciliation of God and humankind through the life and death of Christ.** Colossians 1:20-21 says, *"For it pleased the Father that in Him should all fullness dwell; AND HAVING MADE PEACE THROUGH THE BLOOD OF HIS CROSS, BY HIM TO RECONCILE ALL THINGS UNTO HIMSELF; BY HIM, I SAY, WHETHER THEY BE THINGS IN EARTH, OR THINGS IN HEAVEN."* In other words, Jesus went to the cross and shed His blood to reconcile all creation back to the Father, and to restore them back to that same oneness that they had in Him before the foundation of the earth. This is what the marriage of the Lamb is all about - IT IS THE FULFILLMENT OF GOD'S PLAN TO MAKE ALL THINGS ONE AGAIN, IN, AND THROUGH HIS SON!

While in the Spirit recently, God showed us the Lamb on

Mount Zion and the blood was still pouring out of His side. This was symbolic of the Christ still flowing out of the Spirit - ministering and reaching out to those that are still in darkness and have not been awakened to His love. He is drawing and reconciling them back into the Father, so that they can come to this marriage and be one with the Lamb!

This marriage is an everlasting feast, which is the Kingdom of God. This feast is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. This feast is love. This feast is a never-ending feast where all creation continually feasts on the fruits of the Spirit, and where God manifests Himself continually through His creation.

This is not just some event in the future, but it is what the Father is calling us to NOW! He wants us to enter in and walk in harmony and oneness with Him NOW! We are to be continually feasting on the fruits of the Spirit - feasting on His joy, His peace, His resurrection life, and on the love of God NOW! **WE ARE TO BE FEASTING ON THE LAMB NOW - PARTAKING OF ALL THAT HE IS, THAT WE MIGHT BECOME ALL THAT HE IS! THE FATHER IS REPRODUCING HIMSELF IN DEGREES NOW, IN, AND THROUGH HIS SON(S) - BUT HE IS ABOUT TO COME ON THE SCENE IN ALL OF HIS GLORY TO DECLARE BOTH HIMSELF, AND HIS LOVE FOR ALL CREATION! HE IS CAUSING A PEOPLE WITH A HEART AFTER GOD TO COME FORTH IN HIM NOW - AND THESE PEOPLE ARE BEING MADE INTO HIS**

IMAGE AND LIKENESS - FOR HIS GLORY!

If you turn to Revelations chapter 14 ("fourteen" means: double perfection), the Lamb is standing on Mount Sion, and there are a people with Him that have the name of the Father written in their foreheads. It says in Revelations 14:1, *"And I looked, and lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with Him an hundred forty and four thousand"* ("one hundred and forty four" means: Spirit-guided Life, the Overcomers. "Thousand" means: Glory of God, His Fullness. In other words, it is speaking of a group of people that have overcome all things through Christ, and now bear the fullness of God and His glory. They have become one with the Father through the Lamb), *having His Father's name written in their foreheads."* When it speaks of *"having His Father's name written in their foreheads"*, it is talking about the "Father's nature". Their minds have been totally transformed (or renewed) into the mind of Christ.

How does God write His "name" ("nature") in your forehead? He does this through His Word and Spirit going into your mind and judging (bringing correction to) and consuming everything that is not like Him. Through the Word and the Spirit He is renewing and restoring your mind back to its former state - which is the mind of Christ. He is restoring your mind back to the way it was IN HIM before the foundation of the earth. Through the Word and the Spirit, He is causing you to remember who you are, and by transforming/renewing your mind - **He is**

changing your nature (what you think, speak, and do) to where you are becoming the Lamb! He is causing you to become all that He (Christ) is, because when you come to the place in Him where you are totally one with the Father again, nothing (no sin/no thought) will ever separate you from the love of God again!

Paul writes in Romans 12:2, "...be not conformed to this world: **BUT BE YE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND,** that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God." In Ephesians 4:23-24, "And **BE RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT OF YOUR MIND;** And that ye **PUT ON THE NEW MAN** (Christ Himself), **WHICH AFTER GOD IS CREATED IN RIGHTEOUSNESS AND TRUE HOLINESS.**" And also in Colossians 3:10, "...**PUT ON THE NEW MAN, WHICH IS RENEWED IN KNOWLEDGE AFTER THE IMAGE OF HIM THAT CREATED HIM.**"

The reason Paul is saying all of this, is because he understood that God's Sons need to have their minds renewed and transformed into the mind of Christ. He knew that we need to put on the new man/nature of God. He understood that Jesus was the firstborn among many brethren that would come forth in His image and likeness. And in Romans 8:28 he writes, "For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren." Paul understood that just like in Revelations 14, in God's timing, He will have a people come forth that will have the same nature as the Lamb!

If you read on in Revelations 14:2-5 it says, "And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man (no natural man) could learn that song but the hundred and forty four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth." It says that they were "redeemed from the earth", which means, they have been set free and set apart from the bondage of corruption of this world. They have overcome all things through the blood of the Lamb and are no longer made subject to vanity, and the law of sin and death. Where they once bore the image of the first man (Adam) which of the earth is earthy, they now bear the image of the second man, which is the Lord (Lamb) from heaven.

"These are they which were not defiled with women (they no longer lay down with and have a relationship with their soul/self-will); for they are virgins (there is nothing left in them that is not like the nature of God. Their mind has been renewed and remains pure and undefiled. They are without spot or blemish in the eyes of the Lord, and they remain totally committed to their relationship and marriage with the Lamb). **THESE ARE THEY WHICH FOLLOW THE LAMB WITHERSOEVER HE GOETH. THESE WERE REDEEMED FROM AMONG MEN, BEING THE FIRSTFRUITS UNTO GOD AND TO THE LAMB. AND IN THEIR MOUTH WAS FOUND NO GUILE: FOR THEY ARE**

WITHOUT FAULT BEFORE THE THRONE."

The Father has shown me in glimpses that He has an order in which the marriage with the Lamb must take place. He also spoke very clearly and said that, "My Sons must become the Lamb."

To become the Lamb, you must first marry and have a union with the Lamb! As God swallows up your soul to where all that is left is Him, you become the Lamb because you are one!

But in order for you to become the Lamb, you must also eat ALL the parts of the Lamb. Just like with Israel, they had to consume the whole lamb and nothing could remain uneaten. You have to eat the hind parts. You have to eat the head. You have to eat the inward parts. You have to eat all of the uncomely parts of the Lamb. In other words, you have to eat the Word, and the Word is the Lamb!

John 1:14 says, "And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us...", then in chapter 6:53-58, and in verse 63, "...Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, EXCEPT YE EAT THE FLESH OF THE SON OF MAN, AND DRINK HIS BLOOD, YE HAVE NO LIFE IN YOU. WHOSOEVER EATHETH MY FLESH, AND DRINKETH MY BLOOD, HATH ETERNAL LIFE; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him. AS THE LIVING FATHER HATH SENT ME, AND I LIVE BY MY FATHER; so HE THAT EATETH ME, EVEN HE SHALL LIVE BY ME. (Revelations 14:4 says,

"...THESE ARE THEY WHICH FOLLOW THE LAMB WHITHERSOEVER HE GOETH." In other words, they live by the Word!) *"This is the bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: HE THAT EATETH OF THIS BREAD SHALL LIVE FOR EVER...IT IS THE SPIRIT THAT QUICKENETH; the flesh profiteth nothing: THE WORDS THAT I SPEAK UNTO YOU, THEY ARE SPIRIT, AND THEY ARE LIFE."*

But there are many parts of the Word that your flesh doesn't want to eat - so your self-will pops up its head and says, "Well, that part is not for me. I don't need to walk that out. That part isn't for me, it's for that person over there - will you look at what they're doing. I don't have to eat that. I can do what I want, say what I want, and think what I want. Nobody is going to tell me what I can and can't do. I don't want to love that person. I don't want to forgive that person. God, I'll give you this part of my life, but I want to keep that part for myself." The reason so many parts of the Word are uncomely and displeasing to the flesh, is because if you eat and digest those parts of the Word, then your soul will have to change and die out (to the self-will).

The more you eat of the Lamb, the more your soul will be swallowed up. And when God has swallowed up everything in you that is not like Him, you will have become the Lamb. You will be totally one! You will have entered into a place in Him where you will go out no more, and He will be all in all in every area of your life. There will be no

more temple within, because God will have filled the whole house, *"...for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it."*

This is the reason why God told Israel when He was about to deliver them out of the bondage of Egypt, that they had to kill (sacrifice) a Lamb without spot or blemish. He told them that they were to strike their lintel and the two side posts of their door with its blood (the door represents the mind, and that it was to be covered by the blood). He said that no one was to go outside of their house (the Spirit), and if they did all that He told them to do - then the destroyer (death) would not enter into their house (mind) and smite them. In other words, they were to remain in the Spirit, in the mind of Christ, and were not to go back out into the five-sense realm.

He then told them that they were to roast the Lamb with fire. In other words, it was to be a burnt sacrifice. Jesus is the Lamb, and He is the pattern for all of us. Hebrews 12:29 says, *"For our God is a consuming fire."* Then in Romans 12:1-2 Paul writes, *"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye PRESENT YOUR BODIES A LIVING SACRIFICE, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but BE YE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."*

Israel was also told that they had to eat every part of the Lamb. They were to eat the innermost parts of the lamb, the head, and the legs. He said that they were to

let nothing of it (the Lamb) remain (outside of them/uneaten/undigested).

All this was to be done in preparation for the journey that God wanted to take them on. This journey was to bring them out of their bondage in Egypt (which represents the flesh) and into the Promised Land (which represents the Spirit/the Kingdom of God/the marriage of the Lamb). God wanted them to enter into the completeness of His Kingdom, which is righteousness, peace, and joy - but Israel would not allow the Lamb to become a part of them. They would not let God into their life and allow Him to transform their minds. They refused to walk by faith, and continued to walk according to their five senses, in murmuring and complaining. They would not enter into that place of oneness that God desired to have with them - and because of this they could not bring forth the fruits of God in the earth. And because they would not believe God and enter into the Promised Land (the Kingdom of God/the marriage of the Lamb), they died in the wilderness (were cast out into outer darkness).

The marriage of the Lamb is all about God's Sons (and eventually all creation) becoming the Lamb (or taking on the nature of the Lamb) through a union with Christ. It is all about two becoming one, and as you continue to go deeper and deeper in your relationship with Christ - your union is producing a Son. As you walk in oneness with the Lamb, He is causing you to become the Lamb.

In Revelations 14:4, the reason the one hundred and forty

four thousand *“follow the Lamb withersoever He goeth”*, is because they are inseparable. THEY HAVE ALL BECOME ONE!

Whatever you are having a union with is what you are becoming (or producing)! If you choose to have a union with your soul, then it is impossible for you to produce anything except the flesh. If you are having a union with the Lamb, you cannot become anything else but the Lamb/Christ in the earth.

There are however a lot of people who want a marriage with the Lord in name only. They want His name, and the benefits and blessings that go along with His Name - but they do not want to make a commitment and become His Name (nature).

I remember very clearly one day many years ago, while I was getting ready to go out and minister at a Full Gospel Business meeting, the Lord spoke very loud and very clear on this. He said, “My people want My name, but they don’t want to become My Name. My people want my name so that their reproach will be removed and their sins forgiven - but they don’t want to become my Name. They want a relationship with Me - but they don’t want to marry Me, because if they marry Me then that means that they will have to make a commitment.” He said, “Even in the natural, you see many people today choosing not to get married, because they don’t want to make a commitment. They don’t want the responsibility that comes with marriage - because it is a commitment one to another that must be worked out daily within that union.” He said, “My

people are the same way. They want a relationship with Me, but they don’t want to marry Me. Just like Israel, My people still want to continue in fornication and adultery. They still want to have other lovers, and continue in idol worship. They love their families, relationships, money, homes, possessions, and businesses more than Me. They want the things of this world more than Me. They want their religions, doctrines, traditions, and beliefs more than Me. They are not willing to love Me first in their life! They are not willing to put Me first and let Me be Lord of their life! They want My blessings more than the One who blesses them. They want the gifts I give them, more than the Giver of the gifts. They want their ministries, knowledge, and revelations of Me - but they do not want the responsibility and commitment that comes with them! They do not want to come to the marriage of the Lamb, because they still want to live separate and apart from me.” He said, “Many in the body of Christ and even many of My Sons have sought to build their own kingdoms, rather than live as one with Me in My Kingdom. They want My name to open doors before them - but they do not want to enter in, through a union with The Door. They do not want to come to the marriage that I have prepared for My Son. They do not want to take their responsibility and be what I have called them to be - which is My Name (nature). They do not want to be one with Me!”

These are strong statements indeed - but they are true. This is what has been, and is going on in the body of Christ and in God’s

Sons today. We still want the big revelations, the knowledge, and the understanding - but we do not always want the responsibility and commitment that comes with them.

We have all been called to this marriage. We have all been called to this union, and to be one with the Lamb. We have all been called to the marriage of the Lamb, that we might become the Lamb! The King has sent forth His servants time and time again, saying, *“...The wedding is ready...”*. He has told us repeatedly that the invitations have been sent! And He has also told us that, *“...MANY ARE CALLED, BUT FEW ARE CHOSEN.”*

There is both a responsibility, and a commitment that is required in this marriage with the Lamb. When you first marry the Lord and commit your life to Him, He takes you into the bedchambers and you have a honeymoon experience. You experience Christ in your life everyday. He pampers you and pets you. You experience His love, joy, and peace. You can’t get enough of His love, and you just want to stay in His presence forever. But eventually (just like in a natural marriage) the honeymoon must come to an end.

In a natural marriage, you fall head over heels in love with your spouse, and you can hardly wait to get married and spend the rest of your lives together. Both of you put forth your best behavior and you love that person so much that any faults are quickly overlooked. Finally your wedding day is here and the honeymoon period begins. You are so happy and so in love with

each other. But after you've lived together for a while, you begin to find out what the other person is really like. The imperfections come to the surface and the marriage becomes something that you have to work at. At this point the honeymoon feelings generally begin to fade away.

The same thing is true with the Lord. When you marry Him He tells you how great you are, how wonderful you are, and how much He loves you. But when He begins to reveal to you some things that are still in your soul (the woman), then the honeymoon feelings you first enjoyed begin to fade away. This is when the purification process begins, as He deals with areas of your life that are not like the Lamb (Christ).

The purification of your soul is an ongoing process in your becoming one with Him. It is a process of Him consuming those things in you that are not like Him. It is a process of you learning to surrender control of every area of your life to Him. It is a process of Him transforming your mind into the complete mind of Christ.

It is through the purification process that He truly becomes Lord of every area of your life. It is during this time that you learn to die to your self-will and say, *"Not my will, but thine be done."* This is where you will come to an end of yourself, cease from your own labors, and enter into His rest. As you learn to yield your will to Him, He will bring you into a place in Him where there is no more warfare in your mind. Where there is no more frustration and worry - only His righteousness, peace and joy.

When the process of purification is complete, all that will be left is the nature of the Lamb. There will be no more fighting back and forth between the flesh and the Spirit - only a harmony and oneness will remain. You will truly be inseparable, because you will be one in every way - even as the Father is one with the Son.

In a natural marriage, when you first get married you are not truly one with your spouse - that takes time and a great deal of work and patience. The same is true with God. When you marry Him you are not totally one in everything. Your soul still wants to struggle and have her little place every now and then. She still wants to do what she wants to do. In fact, just as in the natural, a woman (your soul) can get pretty nasty at times.

When you marry the Lord, He is committed to be married to you for eternity. But when we marry Him, sometimes we wake up in the morning, take a look at our Husband, and our soul says, "Look. I don't want to be so committed to you today. I've got a few things that I want to run off and do." Our soul doesn't always want to give up control and yield to our Husband. Sometimes she will rise up and try to get bossy with the Lord, and say, "I want to do my own thing today, and I'm not going to listen to you. You can't tell me what to do, I can make my own decisions."

Now have you ever seen a bossy woman in the natural? A bossy woman can get very nasty. Well what is really happening when that woman starts bossing and says, "I'll rule the house today" - that is the son of perdition standing up in the

temple saying, "I'm god of the temple today." But when you get right down to it - what the soul is really saying is, "Come on soul, we're going to go right into hell today."

God's response to this is, "That's good. I'm going to let your soul take you into hell today, because I want to deal with (judge/bring correction to, and consume) some of those things in your soul that are not like me. I want you to take a look at these areas of your soul that took you into hell, and I want you to give them to me so that I can consume them."

God allows your soul to go right into hell, so that you will take a look at those things that brought you there in the first place. And after your soul has been in hell for a time with no peace or joy in your mind; and you see that there is no life in those things - your soul says to its self, "I don't like this." Then your soul (the woman) runs back to her Husband saying, "I'm so sorry. Please forgive me. Lord I promise you I won't ever do that again. Please burn this out of me. Whatever it takes God, just consume that area of my life. I want you Lord. I just want to be one with you. I love you so much."

In a natural marriage, the first face a woman sees when she wakes up in the morning is her husband's. Why? Because he's laying right next to her. She can't get away from him even if she wanted to, because he's laying right next to her.

It's the same thing with the Lord. You can't get away from Him because He's right inside of you. Your Husband is with you

coming and going, in and out. In fact, when you go into hell – He’s with you. David understood this and he wrote in Psalms 139:7-8, **“Whither shall I go from thy Spirit? Or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.”**

In fact, spouses can also take each other into hell. In the natural, if one goes into hell, the other one goes with them. And whatever happens in the family affects the whole entire body, because we are one together in Christ. If one spouse is rebelling against the Lord, then it affects the other partner as well, because you are one.

God’s Sons need to go through this purification process as well, because as long as there are areas in our life that are not like Christ, we cannot walk in total oneness with Him. This is the reason why God is bringing everything to the surface that’s not like Him – so that we can see what is still there in our soul and allow Him to consume it.

In the natural, there are a lot of marriages today that don’t make it. There are also a lot of marriages with the Lord that don’t make it. Some people start out with God, but then they go their own way. Do you understand what I am saying here?

After many years God even had to divorce Israel. Jeremiah 3:6-8 says, ***“...Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath done? She is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot. And I said after she had done all these things, Turn***

thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw it. And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a letter of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.”

Why did God divorce her? Because she continually played the harlot by giving herself to other gods made of “stones and wood”, “made in the image of corruptible man, birds, four-footed beasts, and creeping things.” She continually left her first love and gave herself over to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts/flesh. God’s love for Israel was so great that even after she had done all these things, He still pleaded with her to return to Him. When she would not return to Him, He divorced her and she became a sign to all nations.

God was always trying to demonstrate to man what marriage is. He was trying to show man that a Spiritual marriage (a marriage or union with Christ) IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD. It is to be a union between the Lamb and your soul WHERE THE TWO BECOME ONE in righteousness, peace, and joy IN THE HOLY SPIRIT/IN CHRIST. The same principles are to be applied in the home, in a natural marriage. It is to be a coming together or a union between two people in righteousness, peace, and joy IN THE HOLY SPIRIT/IN CHRIST.

The sad part about many marriages in the natural, is that generally one person in the marriage is not in alignment with God. But the believer sanctifies

the whole household. The wife can cover the husband, or the husband can cover the wife by standing in the gap for the other, because they are both one in the eyes of God.

In the Book of Esther (and you can read this for yourself), there was a king at that particular time who made a great feast to show off the riches of his kingdom and his majesty to all the people both great and small. He was very rich in gold, and silver, and wine, and apparel - and this king wanted to reveal all that he had. His kingdom and all of his riches are really a representation of the Kingdom of God. He wanted all the people to come and experience his kingdom, to partake of its food, and drink, and many pleasures. But when he sent for his wife (the queen) to come to him so that all the people at his feast could look upon her beauty – she refused to come to him.

Just like the king in the Book of Esther, God has prepared a great feast to show off His Kingdom, and to reveal all of His riches and glory. He has invited all the people to come both great and small, saying, “Come and receive My Kingdom. Come and be clothed in My Nature. Come and take hold of My Gold. Come and feast on My Joy and My peace. I’m giving it all to you - won’t you come and take it? Won’t you come and be one with Me in My Kingdom? Whosoever will, let him come.” So many in the body of Christ, and even many of God’s Sons are still making excuses and refusing to come to Him. They do not want a marriage with the Lamb – they

only want the benefits of being called by His name.

In the Book of Esther, the king's wife did not want to come to his feast and she refused him. And God showed me that queen Vashti was really a representation of Israel. Israel refused God, and this is the reason why He put her away and gave her a letter of divorce.

The queen represented Israel, and it said that, because all the women would hear of the deed of the queen and how she refused the king, that they would also show contempt and despise their husbands. So a decree was made throughout all the king's empire, and it was written among their laws - that Vashti could come no more before the king (in other words, she was put away, and given a letter of divorce). It was also written and decreed that the king would give her royal estate (position or place of rest in the house of the Lord/the Kingdom of God) to another that is better than she. It also said that, "...the maiden (VIRGIN) that pleased the king would be queen instead of Vashti." Well if you remember back in Revelations 14:4, in describing the one hundred and forty four thousand (the Overcomers) it said that, "*These are they which were not defiled with women; FOR THEY ARE VIRGINS. These are THEY WHICH FOLLOW THE LAMB whithersoever He goeth (THEY DENY THEIR SELF, TAKE UP THEIR CROSS AND FOLLOW HIM). These were redeemed (CHOSEN AND SET APART) from among men, BEING THE FIRSTFRUITS UNTO GOD AND TO THE LAMB."*

Because Vashti had refused the king she lost everything and was made a sign (or an example of) to all the women throughout the empire, that all the wives should give honor to their husbands. Now the Lord showed me that these women represented the seven churches spoken of in Revelations; and that the seven churches are also the seven women that God spoke of in Isaiah chapter 4.

So what did the king do after he had put away his first queen? He sought out and chose another virgin (which was Esther) and she became his queen. But before Esther was chosen and could become queen, she had to go through a time of purification, which lasted 12 months. Twelve means: restoration, the divine government of God. In other words, her time of purification was to bring her soul under the divine government of God, and restore her back to that oneness that she had with Him before the foundation of the earth. This is why all God's Sons must go through a time of purification as well.

Now if you turn to Isaiah 4:1 it says, "*And in that day (it's talking about the Day of the Lord) seven women shall take hold of one man..."*. It's talking about seven women, and the seven women are the seven churches which are the body of Christ. It says that in that Day they shall take hold of one man (which is Christ). But the problem is that they still haven't buried their first husband. They're still holding onto their old man - Adam, and if they take hold of another man (husband), they are committing adultery.

In this day (the Day of the Lord) they are coming to Christ saying, "Let us be called by your name to take away our reproach, but we still want to eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel." In other words they're saying, "God, we want to be called by your name, but we don't want to become your Name! We want a marriage with you in name only, where we can continue to feed on our carnal (soulish) thoughts. We want to keep our religious traditions, doctrines, and beliefs - and be clothed in our own righteousness, according to our works. We want to continue doing our own thing to satisfy the lusts (desires) of our flesh (self-will/our first husband - Adam). But God, we also want the benefits and blessings that come with your name. God, we really want it both ways!"

But the problem with this is, as long your first husband (Adam) is still alive (in you) and you continue to hold onto him - he will continue to pull/bring you back under the law of sin and death, under guilt and condemnation.

In that day (the Day of the Lord) they are taking hold of Christ, but they're still holding onto that first man Adam as well. They are still married to the first man Adam, which is of the earth, earthy; and they are married to the second man Adam, which is the Lord from heaven.

But it says in Roman's 7:1-6, "*Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth? For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he*

liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man. WHEREFORE, MY BRETHREN, YE ALSO ARE BECOME DEAD TO THE LAW BY THE BODY OF CHRIST; THAT YE SHOULD BE MARRIED TO ANOTHER, EVEN TO HIM WHO IS RAISED FROM THE DEAD, THAT WE SHOULD BRING FORTH FRUIT UNTO GOD. For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. But now we are delivered from the law, THAT BEING DEAD WHEREIN WE WERE HELD; that WE SHOULD SERVE IN NEWNESS OF SPIRIT, AND NOT IN THE OLDNESS OF THE LETTER (LAW)." Romans 6:1-11 says that our old man is dead. It talks about our death, burial, and resurrection in Christ. It says, "What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid, How shall we that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? KNOW YE NOT, THAT SO MANY OF US AS WERE BAPTIZED INTO JESUS CHRIST WERE BAPTIZED INTO HIS DEATH? THEREFORE WE ARE BURIED WITH HIM BY BAPTISM INTO DEATH; THAT LIKE AS CHRIST WAS RAISED UP FROM THE DEAD BY THE GLORY OF THE FATHER, EVEN SO WE ALSO SHOULD WALK IN NEWNESS OF LIFE. FOR IF WE HAVE BEEN PLANTED TOGETHER IN

THE LIKENESS OF HIS DEATH, WE SHALL ALSO BE IN THE LIKENESS OF HIS RESURRECTION: KNOWING THIS, THAT OUR OLD MAN IS CRUCIFIED WITH HIM, THAT THE BODY OF SIN MIGHT BE DESTROYED, THAT HENCEFORTH WE SHOULD NOT SERVE SIN. FOR HE THAT IS DEAD IS FREED FROM SIN. Now if ye be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him: KNOWING THAT CHRIST BEING RAISED FROM THE DEAD DIETH NO MORE; DEATH HATH NO MORE DOMINION OVER HIM. For in that He died, He died unto sin once: but in that He liveth, HE LIVETH UNTO GOD. Likewise RECKON YE ALSO YOURSELVES TO BE DEAD INDEED UNTO SIN, BUT ALIVE UNTO GOD THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD."

So as long as you are still holding onto your first husband/the old man/the first man - Adam, you are committing adultery; but if that first man is dead then you are no longer under the law of sin and death. It says that we are to reckon ourselves (the first man - Adam) to be dead, but alive unto God. We are to have only one husband - and that husband is Christ!

Paul understood these things and wrote in Galatians 2:20, "I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live (he understood that his true-self is Christ); yet not I (he was no longer identifying himself with the old man/his self-will), but Christ liveth in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live BY THE FAITH OF THE SON OF GOD (it wasn't even the "old"

Paul's "faith" that he was living by - IT WAS CHRIST'S FAITH THAT HE LIVED BY), who loved me, and gave Himself for me."

In other words Paul was saying, "My old man is dead. I'm married to the Lamb/Christ and we are one! End of story!"

When you're married to Christ and walking in oneness with Him, you bear the fruits of the Spirit in the earth. In other words, the nature of the Lamb (God) is being manifest through you to where others can come and partake of your fruit. The Father is the husbandman, and He has been waiting a long time to partake of this fruit.

In James 5:7 it says, "...Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until He receive the early and the latter rain." In your marriage with the Lamb, as you bear more and more fruit - God is beginning to partake of that which He has waited for all this time. Since even before the foundation of the earth, He has longed to partake of the fruits of His labors in creation. When you come to the table of the Lord in this marriage you feed off of one another. You partake of one another - the joy that is set before you, the peace, and the unconditional love that flows back and forth between you. For it is this love (HIS LOVE) that has made you one! The King has prepared a feast and bid ALL TO COME that they might partake of the riches of His Kingdom!

So we are to "reckon ourselves (our self-will/first husband - Adam) to be dead", and we are to be "married to another, even to Him who is

raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God." There are many things that take place in baptism (and we don't have time to do a teaching on this now), but two of the reasons why we are to get baptized is: first - to bury that old man; and second - to marry Christ, and in doing so, "put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

And, as all of you know that have experienced being baptized into Christ through the water of baptism - just like Jesus, you immediately go through a wilderness experience. In other words, YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE FIRE! And even though going through the fire is never a pleasant experience, it is a necessary one! This is all part of the purification process that we must go through in becoming one with the Lamb.

Now going back to Isaiah 4:1 which says, "And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread..." They didn't want the Bread of Life - they wanted to eat their own bread. They wanted their own traditions, doctrines, and religious beliefs. They wanted to keep their own concepts, ideas, and interpretations of the word. They didn't want a Word that comes out of the Spirit of God - because that would bring change.

The same thing happened when Christ came to Israel and offered them the Kingdom of God - they rejected Him.

They said in Isaiah 4:1, "...We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel...". They didn't want to wear the

apparel of Christ and put on the new man. They didn't want to be clothed in His righteousness, or adorned as His bride for all to partake of her beauty - because they still wanted to play the part of a harlot.

But in Revelations 19:7-9 it is talking about the Lamb and His wife - a people that have gone through the purification and made themselves ready, that they might be one with Him, and only Him! It says, "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him: FOR THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB IS COME (present tense), AND HIS WIFE HATH MADE HERSELF READY. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: FOR THE FINE LINEN IS THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF THE SAINTS (the fine linen is Christ Himself). And He saith unto me, Write, BLESSED ARE THEY WHICH ARE CALLED UNTO THE MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB."

"Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb." In Baptism, when you bury that old man and marry the Lord, He clothes you in His righteousness and decks you as a bride for all to come and see.

I'll never forget the time years ago, when the Lord told me that I was to baptize 12 men in prison (in a bathtub of all things). I could feel His incredible excitement and joy, that these men had made a decision to marry Him. That they desired to be one with the Lamb, and to bear His fruit/nature in the earth!

God gets so excited when an individual makes the decision to marry Him, because that means

that they have made up their mind to make a commitment to Him. When an individual marries the Lord, they are set apart (redeemed from among men/and separated) unto God to become a King and Priest in the earth.

It says, "And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear our own apparel: only let us be called by thy name, and take away our reproach." They wanted a marriage in name only so that their reproach (their shame) would be taken away. In other words, they wanted the benefits of being married to Christ without any kind of commitment, and without having to change their lifestyle.

Then in verse 2 it says, "In that day shall the branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious..." The "branch" are those that abide in the vine - because you cannot bear the fruit of the Spirit unless if you abide in Him. It also says in John chapter 15 ('fifteen' means rest) that every individual that "bears fruit, He purges it, that it might bring forth more fruit." He's purging you to cause you to cease from your own labors in the flesh, and to bring you into a greater rest in Christ. Because only when you are abiding in the vine (in His rest) can you bear the fruits of the Spirit. He is purging you that you would "bring forth MORE FRUIT", because He wants His fullness to come forth in the earth!

John 15:1-5 says, "I AM THE TRUE VINE, and MY FATHER IS THE HUSBANDMAN. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit He taketh away: and EVERY BRANCH THAT BEARETH

FRUIT, HE PURGETH IT, THAT IT MAY BRING FORTH MORE FRUIT. Now YE ARE CLEAN THROUGH THE WORD WHICH I HAVE SPOKEN UNTO YOU. Abide in me, and I in you. As THE BRANCH CANNOT BEAR FRUIT OF ITSELF, EXCEPT IT ABIDE IN (remains one with) THE VINE; NO MORE CAN YE EXCEPT YE ABIDE IN ME. I AM THE VINE, YE ARE THE BRANCHES: HE THAT ABIDES IN ME (keeps his union with me first), AND I IN HIM, THE SAME BRINGETH FORTH MUCH FRUIT: for without me (outside of me) ye can do nothing.

So the Father is the "husbandman"; Jesus is the "vine"; and you are the "branch". Jesus said, that the Father PURGES (prunes/disciplines/corrects) every branch that bears fruit - "THAT THE SAME WOULD BRING FORTH MORE FRUIT." The "fruit" comes forth from having a union with the Christ in you. The "fruit" is the nature of God being manifest, or expressed through you.

Hebrews 12:6-7 and in verse 11 (in the Amplified Bible) says, "**For the Lord corrects and disciplines every one whom He loves, and He punishes, even scourges, every Son whom He accepts and welcomes to His heart and cherishes. You must submit and endure [correction] for discipline. GOD IS DEALING WITH YOU AS WITH SONS; for what Son is there whom His Father does not [thus] train and correct and discipline? For the time being no discipline brings joy but seems grievous and painful, but AFTERWARDS IT YIELDS PEACEABLE FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS to those who have been trained by it—A**

HARVEST OF FRUIT which consists in righteousness, [that is, in conformity to God's will in purpose, thought and action, resulting in right living and right standing with God]." So God purges, corrects, and disciplines those whom He loves as Sons, that they would bring forth the PEACEABLE FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS - bear His nature in the earth.

Now as the Father was preparing the couple for their marriage here recently, they experienced first hand the purging of the Father in their own lives. He put them through the fire to where sometimes they had no idea what was going on - but God knew what He was doing. He allowed these things to take place in their lives to bring them into a greater oneness with both Himself, and with each other.

When a couple allows God to purge their lives, they will always come into more of a oneness with Him, and with each other. Unity only comes when the oneness of God operates through your lives.

When an individual has a union with the Lord the fruits of the Spirit flow freely through them. But if their mate will not allow God to purge them (deal with their lives), then it creates contention and strife in the marriage. They argue about everything. But the Lord will turn around and use that one (rebellious) individual to push the other one right on into Him. Romans 8:28 says, "**And we know that ALL THINGS work together for good TO THEM THAT LOVE GOD, to them who are called according to His purpose.**"

However, if that one (rebellious) individual won't submit to the dealings of the Lord and come into a union with Christ - God may judge them and cast them into outer darkness just like Israel. But in the Father's timing, He will graft them in again.

In fact, in several places in Jeremiah, and also in Revelations it says - that the time will come when, "**I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, THE VOICE OF THE BRIDEGROOM, AND THE VOICE OF THE BRIDE, THE SOUND OF THE MILLSTONES, AND THE LIGHT OF THE CANDLE...**" (Jeremiah 25:10). They will not be able to hear "*the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.*" Why won't they hear the voice of the bride? Because she's totally caught up in the Lamb - THEY ARE ONE!

In Jeremiah and Revelations it also talks about the fall of Babylon. Those that refuse to allow the Father to purge their lives - those that want to stay in Babylon and refuse to come to the marriage of the Lamb, will fall! Revelations 14:8 says, "**And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink the wine of the wrath of her fornication.**"

Back in Isaiah 4:2, it said, "**In that day shall the branch of the Lord be beautiful and glorious...**". Why shall the branch be beautiful and glorious? Because the branch abides in the vine and from their union they bear the nature of God! The branch has been thoroughly purged (pruned) and now yields the peaceable fruit of

righteousness. She has been clothed in the glory of the Son. She has been arrayed in fine linen, clean and white. She has put on the new man (which is Christ) and has come into the nature of the Lamb!

This is the way it is when you are married to the Lord. When you keep your relationship with Him first, and take time each day to go within and commune with Him - people actually see the glory of the Lord upon you. Your face radiates from the presence of the Lord so much that some people actually have to step away from you, because they don't know how to handle the light that is coming from within you.

But when babies and little children come around you it's like their eyes are glued to you. It's because they see the Lord in you, and upon you. Their minds haven't been all cluttered up with the things of this world yet, and they are seeing their maker - the one whom they just left before they came into this world. They see the Lamb!

It goes on to say in Isaiah 4:2, "...and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely (because in James 5:7 it said, "...Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until He receive the early and the latter rain." It is talking about the Day of the Lord, and the Father receiving His Harvest.) **for them that escape Israel.**" Well why does it say "for them that escape Israel"? Because in Romans 11:25-26 it says, "...that blindness in part is happened to Israel UNTIL the fullness of the Gentiles be come in." In this day, the Day of the Lord - the Father is

receiving unto Himself both the early and the latter rain, because the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. "And so ALL ISRAEL SHALL BE SAVED...". Yes, Israel had rejected the King and her Husband (which is Christ) - but it was all in the plan of God for her to do so. **She had to reject Him and be cast away, so that you and I could come in.** In His plan she had to be put away (for a time), but in the Day of the Lord she is being reconciled again!

"THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS like a certain King, which made A MARRIAGE for His Son." Why do you think that Jesus performed His first miracle at a marriage? It was because "the marriage" was a representation of "the Kingdom of God".

Who was at this wedding where Jesus performed this miracle? In John 2:1-11 it gives an accounting of this marriage, and it says, "And on the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there; And both Jesus was called, and His disciples, to the marriage...". It says that Mother (which represents the bride/the New Jerusalem/the church) was there. Jesus (the Lamb) was there. And it says that His disciples (those that are allowing Christ to discipline their life) were there. And if you read down, in verse 6 (the number "six" always represents "man") it says, "...And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece." The six empty pots represent man empty of God. These pots were made of stone, representing the

condition of man's mind - a stony heart.

Verse 3 says, "And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto Him, they have no wine." In other words, Mother had seen them through the Father's eyes and knew that their hearts (pots) were ready now. That they had emptied themselves and come through the purification in order that they might receive the new wine (Christ Himself) and be filled to the brim. In other words, they were now ready for Him to be their all in all. It says, "And when they wanted wine..." she (Mother) spoke to Jesus. When their hearts had turned back to Him and they wanted the wine (to partake of the fruits of the Spirit/the fruits of righteousness/the Kingdom of God), she spoke and basically told Jesus, "Son, it's time now!" Then in verse 5 it says, "His mother saith unto THE SERVANTS, WHATSOEVER HE SAITH UNTO YOU, DO IT." She told the "SERVANTS" to DO whatever He tells you to do (KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS).

Jesus said in Matthew 23:11, "...he that is greatest among you shall be your SERVANT." And in Mark 9:35, "...If any man desire to be FIRST, the same shall be (or must be the) LAST OF ALL, and SERVANT OF ALL." Jesus was telling His disciples, "If you want to be the greatest (one with Him) and be a Son of God (have the Father manifest His fullness through you), then you first have to take upon yourself the nature of the Lamb. You must first humble yourself, lay down your life, and become the LAMB/SERVANT of all - for it is

the Father who will exalt you in due time."

So in John 2:5, Mother was telling the Sons of God (both then and now) - "WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU TO DO, DO IT!" "FOR AS MANY AS ARE LED BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD, THEY ARE THE SONS OF GOD." (Romans 8:14).

Well I want to tell you that the time has now come, when once again the Father is speaking through the Mother (the church) to His Son(s) saying that, "It's time now! It's time for the Christ to come forth and perform miracles! It's time, for the Father to come forth through His Sons and manifest the Kingdom and Glory of God for all the world to see!" It's time! Mother (the church) knows it's time - BUT THE SONS HAVE TO ASCEND FIRST, before she can!

Several years ago we had a group of people come down from Baltimore, and the Lord gave us a vision of the Son's being caught up in a higher realm - into a high and lofty place in Christ. Now it says in 1Thessalonians 4:16 that, "...THE DEAD IN CHRIST SHALL RISE FIRST". This is happening now as you are becoming dead in (or to) your soul. All the little children in you, all your little wants, desires and whims are dying out in your soul. It says, "THE DEAD IN CHRIST (those that have taken up their cross and followed Him; those that have died to self, buried their first husband, and become one with Christ) SHALL RISE FIRST." That's the realm that Christ is pushing us right on into. Do you understand what I am saying?

If you read on in 1Thessalonians 4:17 it says, "*Then we which are alive and remain (in the earth - 1Corinthians 15:49 says, "We shall not all sleep, but we shall be changed...") shall be caught up together with them in the clouds* (it is talking about being caught up in the SPIRIT and becoming one with the "cloud of witnesses" - Hebrews 12:1; "*the Spirits of just men made perfect*" - Hebrews 12:23) *to meet the Lord in the air* (SPIRIT/in Christ)". This is talking about the Sons of God (the Overcomers - both on this side and on that side) marrying one another, and becoming totally one in Christ!

All creation (including God's Sons) both visible and invisible, are waiting and groaning for the manifestation of the Sons of God! The great cloud of witnesses that have gone before us - are all waiting for us to enter in totally and take our place in Christ, because it says in Hebrews 11:39-40 and Hebrews 12:1-2, "*And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: GOD HAVING PROVIDED SOME BETTER THING FOR US, THAT WITHOUT US SHOULD NOT BE MADE PERFECT. WHEREFORE SEE-ING WE ARE COMPASSED ABOUT WITH SO GREAT A CLOUD OF WITNESSES, let us lay aside every weight, and sin which doth so easily beset us (let us take up our cross and follow Him), and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith (the pattern for us to follow); who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set*

down at the right hand of the throne of God."

In the vision that the Lord gave us, we saw the Sons rise first, and when they did a great wind began to blow like we've never seen before. Next we saw the church as a beautiful diamond, but part of her was still buried in the earth. Then the wind that we had seen blowing (which we knew was the Word and the Spirit going forth) began to blow away all of the debris that was on the church and the body of Christ. As the wind continued to blow away all the debris, we saw her (the church) begin to ascend in the realm of the Spirit. And finally we saw her married to the Lamb. You see, there is an order to God's plan and how He intends to bring it to fruition.

Back in John 2:7-10 Jesus spoke to the servants and said, "*...Fill the waterpots with water* (water represents the Word and the Spirit). *And they filled them to the brim. And He saith unto them, draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bear it. When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was (but the servants knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, and saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have drunk well, then that which is worse: BUT THOU HAST KEPT THE GOOD WINE UNTIL NOW."* In other words, the governor of the feast was saying to the bridegroom, "YOU HAVE SAVED THE BEST FOR LAST!"

Without knowing it, he was talking about the new wine that all creation is waiting to partake

of. All creation is waiting for this new wine (the manifestation of the Sons of God), because when the water (the Word and the Spirit) transforms your mind completely to where you manifest His glory (nature) all the time - then they will also be set free. When the Sons arise and take their places in the Lamb, the Christ in them will set creation free to ascend and marry the Lamb. It says, *"Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage Supper of the Lamb!"*

THE BRIDEGROOM HAS SAVED THE BEST FOR LAST, and has bid all to come and partake of the riches of His Kingdom!

The Lord told me a long time ago, that when you fully come into this next realm in Him, you will have entered into the same joy that was set before Jesus. And He said that, the joy that Jesus entered into is the new wine that will spill out and go throughout the earth. The new wine is the fullness of His Kingdom being expressed in the earth! In this realm, you will never again experience being happy one day and not the next - but you will experience His righteousness, peace, and joy all the time.

Every kind of thing has come down the pipeline saying, "This is it". Even in the church many have said, "This is it!" They will hear of people being slain in the Spirit over here, and of people laughing in the Holy Ghost over there. So they run here, and they run there both thinking and speaking aloud, "This is it." But I want to tell you that what they're witnessing is not it (it's only the introduction). Because GOD IS SAVING THE BEST FOR LAST!

Even back in Hebrews 11:40 we read that, *"GOD HAVING PROVIDED SOME BETTER THING FOR US, that they without us should not be made perfect."* He's provided SOMETHING BETTER than Holy Ghost goose bumps and shivers, getting slain in the Spirit, and even getting healed in your body. All these things are temporary and will not last. They are meant to point people to Christ - but not to replace Christ in the thinking of man, saying to themselves and others, "This is it. Praise God - this is as good as it gets!"

But PRAISE GOD that's not it - because HE HAS SAVED THE BEST FOR LAST and when that *"BETTER THING"* comes on the scene - IT WILL LAST FOR ETERNITY! All creation is waiting for us to enter in fully and take hold of what God has for us - because when we do - the church; and then all creation will be able to partake of that same joy as well!

In John 2:11 it says, *"This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, AND MANIFESTED FORTH HIS GLORY..."*. This is what the marriage of the Lamb is all about. It is to manifest His glory (nature) in the earth through a union.

In the natural, when a man and a woman marry and have a union, they generally reproduce themselves and are seen in their children. Well God made a marriage for His Son, so that through a union He would reproduce Himself (a Son/the Christ) in you - that His glory would be manifest (expressed) and seen (experienced) openly in the earth.

Going back to Matthew 22:2-3, it said, *"The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son, And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come."* How many times has He sent you (His servant) out as a representative of the Kingdom of God to invite people to come to this marriage? How many times have you planted a seed in someone's heart, then come back a week later and they don't want anything to do with you? It said that, *"they would not come"*.

In verse 4 it said, *"Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and ALL THINGS ARE READY: COME UNTO THE MARRIAGE."* Everything is ready and has been for a long time. Everything became ready when Jesus died on the cross. He issued in the Kingdom. He issued in the New Covenant. He issued in the Law of Life. And the Father is saying to all, "Come to the marriage that I have prepared for my Son! Come and partake of My Kingdom and My joy!"

But in verses 5-6 it says, *"But they made light of it, and went THEIR WAYS, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: And the remnant took His servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. But when the King heard thereof, He was wroth: and He sent forth His armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city."*

Excuses after excuses. How many times have people looked at your life and seen how happy you are in your relationship and

marriage with Christ - then they turn around and say, "I don't want it"? Well the reason they don't want what you have is because they don't want to pay the price! They don't want to come to the marriage of the Lamb, because if they do it will cost them their soul.

They're trying to hold onto their soul (life in this world, living according to the lusts of their flesh), not realizing that it's all temporary - they can't keep it, and they're going to lose it anyway. This is why Jesus said in Matthew 16:24-25, "*...If any man will come after me, let him deny himself (his soul/his self-will/the lusts of his flesh/their first husband), and take up his cross (reckon yourself to be dead), and follow me (follow my example. Come and be one with Me. Come to the marriage of the Lamb and marry Me). For whosoever will save his life (in this world) shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it (in the Kingdom of God/in Christ).*"

Matthew 22:8-10 says, "*Then saith He to His servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy. Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. (Whosoever will, let him come.) So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, BOTH BAD AND GOOD: and the wedding was furnished with guests.*" It said that the servants went out "*and gathered together as many as they found, both bad and good.*" You see, it doesn't matter to the Lord what you've done in the past, what matters to Him is

that you are willing to deny self and follow Him now! What matters to Him is that your heart has turned to Him, and that you are willing to make a commitment to Him in marriage. He doesn't see your sin, He sees you as beautiful! He sees you fully reconciled and finished in Himself!

In verse 11 it says, "*And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment.*" This man represents Israel. Israel was called to be a Son of God in the earth (as was Adam), but they rejected Him and sought to establish their own righteousness and kingdoms in the earth. When God sent His servant Moses as a Deliverer to bring Israel out of the bondage of Egypt (the world/the flesh), it says in Exodus 4:22-23, "*And thou shalt say to Pharaoh, Thus saith the Lord, ISRAEL IS MY SON, even My firstborn: And I say unto thee, LET MY SON GO, THAT HE MAY SERVE ME...*"

Israel was called to be a Son, but Israel was later cast away. And in Matthew 22:12-14 when the King saw him with no wedding garment on, it says, "*And He saith unto him, Friend...*". Notice He called him a "Friend". Jesus said in John 15:15 when speaking with His disciples, "*...I have called you FRIENDS; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.*"

God had sent His servants (the prophets) to speak to Israel, time and time again. They too had spoken to Israel all the things that they had heard from the Father. And time and time again, they rejected Him. They knew the

law and the prophets (the written word) from cover to cover - and it all pointed to Jesus whom they rejected as well! In trying to establish their own righteousness through the law and the written word, they rejected THE WORD!

Calling him "Friend" was also meant to bring conviction and correction to his heart, knowing that Israel knew the word (law and the prophets). Jesus said in John 15:14, "*YE ARE MY FRIENDS, IF YE DO WHATSOEVER I COMMAND YOU.*" Knowing His word isn't enough, because you also have the responsibility that comes with it - to DO whatever He tells you to do. In other words, you have the responsibility to walk it out by walking in union with Him. God was constantly trying to bring correction to Israel and pleading with them to come back to Him, but they would not. They were frequently described as being stubborn and rebellious. They would not keep His commandments, and they would not return to Him. "*They went THEIR WAYS.*"

So the King spoke to this man (Israel) and said, "*...how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.*" He was speechless because he had come to this wedding without first having put on the new man/Christ. Israel had come to this wedding in her own righteousness (rags), wanting to eat her own bread and wear her own apparel. The church, and even many of God's own Sons have also tried to come to this marriage clothed in their own righteousness, under the law the Law of Moses - through works, outside of (or without)

Christ! Do you understand what I am saying here?

"Then said the King to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. FOR MANY ARE CALLED (to be the Sons of God and bear His nature through a marriage with the Lamb), BUT FEW ARE CHOSEN (as "Faithful and True" - as a "Virgin" that pleases the King)."

But Paul wrote in Romans chapter 10:1-2 saying, *"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have the zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For being ignorant of God's righteousness (they didn't understanding that "...by GRACE are ye saved THROUGH FAITH; and not of yourselves: IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD: NOT OF WORKS, lest any man should boast"), and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God."* This is the reason why this man (Israel) was cast out into outer darkness.

Israel had to be cast out into outer darkness in order for the Gentiles to come in as well. Now you can read the whole chapter yourself, but in Roman's chapter 11 (and we've already touched on some of this) there are some things that I want to go over in greater detail. Beginning at verses 7-8 it says, *"What then? Israel hath not obtained that which they seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded. (According as it is written, God hath (past tense) given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and*

ears that they should not hear;) unto this day." Then going down to verse 11 Paul writes, *"I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather THROUGH THEIR FALL SALVATION IS COME UNTO THE GENTILES, for to provoke them to jealousy."*

It said that, *"...THROUGH THEIR FALL salvation is come to the Gentiles..."*. So within God's plan He had a reason for the fall of Adam; and He also had a reason for the fall of Israel. It was so that God could eventually marry the whole world and reproduce Himself in all the earth. It was so that all creation could come to the marriage of the Lamb and be one with God again! It is also in His plan for Israel to one day marry Him, again!

In verse 12 it says, *"Now if the fall of them be the riches of this world (the riches of the world is what they fell to), and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles: how much more their fullness?"* Then in verse 15, *"For if the casting away of them (Israel) be THE RECONCILING OF THE WORLD, what shall the receiving of them be, but LIFE FROM THE DEAD?"* It was in

God's plan for Israel to fall and be cast away. They rejected the King and would not come to the marriage, because God had put a spirit of slumber upon them. He gave them *"eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear, even to this day"* - so that they would not understand what they were doing, and in ignorance (in darkness/blindness to the Truth) fall away. Israel was the first people that God chose to have a covenant with - but God said, "I want this covenant to be

expanded to include the whole world." So *"through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles."*

Verse 25 and 26 says, *"For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, UNTIL THE FULLNESS OF THE GENTILES be come."* It said *"until"*, meaning that their blindness (to the Truth/Christ) is a temporary one, and one day their eyes will be opened again to where they too will enter into a union with the Lamb). *"And so ALL ISRAEL SHALL BE SAVED..."*. Going back to verse 23 it says, *"...for God is able to graft them in again."* Even those that died in the wilderness will be grafted in again.

Religion has taught that after an individual's body dies there is no hope for them. But if that were true, then why does it say that God can graft them in again. It says, *"...ALL ISRAEL SHALL BE SAVED..."*. It didn't say, "Just a few of them", or, "This group over here", or, "Just those walking around in their bodies" - it said, "ALL ISRAEL SHALL BE SAVED".

Colossians 1:20 says, *"And, having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him TO RECONCILE ALL THINGS UNTO HIMSELF; by Him, I say, whether they be things in the earth (the visible realm/those still in their natural body) or things in heaven (the invisible real/realm of the Spirit/those that have gone by the way of the grave)." Even in 1Peter 3:18-20 it talks about where after Jesus went to the cross, one of the first things He did was He went and*

ministered to those who died in the flood back in the days of Noah. It says, *"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: By which also He went and preached unto the spirits (souls) in prison; Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water."*

The Lamb was slain to reconcile ALL creation back to Himself. His sacrifice was perfect and He didn't leave anyone out! God is able, even if religion has taught otherwise!

It goes on to say in Romans 11:26, *"And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer...".* God will save her! He will open her eyes once again and the spirit of slumber will be lifted from her. And when God does this, she (all Israel) will return to her Husband.

There are so many people that reject Christ; that don't want a union with Him; that run away from the most beautiful relationship they could ever have - when in reality (and still blinded to the truth), the very thing they are looking for is Him!

God's people and even His own Sons continue to run after many things that are outside of Christ - and He allows them to go for a time. He allows their soul to wander, and their heart to go after other lovers and idolatry for a purpose. But do you know what that purpose is?

He allows us to have those lovers for a time to show us that that's not what we really want. To show us that these things that we have chosen to have a relationship with will only take us into one hell after another. To show us that if we continue to follow the path that we (our soul) has chosen outside of Christ, then these things will eventually destroy our life. He will allow us to go through one hell after another, until we are finally ready to make a commitment and come into a union with Him - the marriage with the Lamb!

The marriage of the Lamb is what will reproduce the Christ in the earth, and it must take place within the Sons of God first!

He wants you to make a commitment to follow the Lamb wherever He goes. He wants you to accept the responsibility that comes with being married to the Lamb, and He wants you to understand what all of this means.

This is the reason why He has been shaking everything in your heavens (your mind), and everything in your earth (life around you). Because when you finally purpose in your heart to put your marriage with the Lamb first in your life; and when you fully enter into this next realm in Him - the only thing that will remain in you is the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb. All that will remain is the Kingdom of God.

In Revelations 22:17, Jesus and the bride (those Sons which have come into His fullness and have fully put on the Lamb) are standing together and saying, *"...COME. And let him that heareth* (what the Spirit is saying)

say, COME. And let him that is athirst COME. And WHOSOEVER WILL, LET HIM TAKE OF THE WATER OF LIFE FREELY." With one voice they are saying, "WHOSOEVER WILL, LET HIM COME! Let him come to this feast and partake of all that I have! ALL THINGS ARE READY NOW - COME TO THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB, and BE ONE WITH ME!"