# The Preparation of the Bride – Week 4

# The Beauty of the Bride

# Monday 11/3

Eph. 5:25-27

25 Husbands, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her

**26** That He might sanctify her, cleansing her by the washing of the water in the word,

27 That He might present the church to Himself glorious, not having spot or wrinkle or any such things, but that she would be holy and without blemish.

# 1 Thes. 4:<u>3</u>

3 For this  $\overline{i}$ s the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from fornication;

## 1 Thes. 5:23-24

23 And the God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly, and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

24 Faithful is He who calls you, who also will do it.

#### 1 Pet. 1:15-16

**15** But according to the Holy One who called you, you yourselves also be holy in all your manner of life;

**16** Because it is written, "You shall be holy because I am holy."

# Eph. 1:4-5

**4** Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blemish before Him in love.

**5** Predestinating us unto sonship through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will,

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# Tuesday 11/4

## Isa. 28:<u>5</u>

5 In that day Jehovah of hosts Will become a crown of beauty and a diadem of glory to the remnant of His people,

# Isa. 43<u>:7</u>

7 Everyone who is called by My name, Whom I have created, formed, and even made for My glory.

# Psa. 27:4

4 One thing I have asked from Jehovah; That do I seek: To dwell in the house of Jehovah All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of Jehovah, And to

inquire in His temple.

# Rom. 6:19, 22

19 I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to uncleanness and lawlessness unto lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness unto sanctification.

22 But now, having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you have your fruit unto sanctification, and the end, eternal life.

# Eph. 3:21

**21** To Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus unto all the generations forever and ever. Amen.

# Isa. 60:1, 7, 9, 13, 19

1 Arise! Shine! For your light has come, And the glory of Jehovah has risen upon you.

7 All the flocks of Kedar will be gathered together to you; The rams of Nebaioth will minister to you; They will go up acceptably upon My altar, And I will beautify the house of My beauty.

9 Surely the coastlands will look eagerly for Me; And the ships of Tarshish will come first, To bring your children from afar, Their silver and their gold with them, Unto the name of Jehovah your God And unto the Holy One of Israel; for He has beautified you.

13 The glory of Lebanon will come to you, The fir tree, the pine tree, and the box tree together, To beautify the place of My sanctuary; And I will make the place for My feet glorious.

19 You will no longer have the sun for your light by day, Nor for brightness will the moon give you light; But Jehovah will be an eternal light to you, And your God your beauty.

## Isa. 62:3

**3** You will also be a crown of beauty in the hand of Jehovah, And a royal turban in the palm of your God.

**Further Reading:** HWMR The Preparation of the Bride – Week 4, Day 2

#### Wednesday 11/5

# Eph. 5:<u>26</u> See Monday

#### Eph. 6:17

17 And receive the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which Spirit is the word of God,

## Rev. 2:7

7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give

to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God.

#### Rev. 19:7

7 Let us rejoice and exult, and let us give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.

## Rev. 21:11

11 Having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, as clear as crystal.

#### John 6:63

**63** It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words which I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.

#### Matt. 4:4

**4** But He answered and said, It is written, "Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out through the mouth of God."

### Matt. 13:14-15

14 And in them the prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled, which says, "In hearing you shall hear and by no means understand, and seeing you shall see and by no means perceive.

15 For the heart of this people has become fat, and with their ears they have heard heavily, and their eyes they have closed, lest they perceive with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart, and they turn around, and I will heal them."

#### Isa. 6:9-10

**9** And He said to me, Go and say to this people, Hear indeed, but do not perceive; And see indeed, but do not understand.

10 Make the heart of this people numb; Dull their ears, And seal their eyes; Lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears, And their heart perceive and return, and they are healed.

**Further Reading:** HWMR The Preparation of the Bride – Week 4, Day 3

## Thursday 11/6

## John 7:<u>37-39</u>

37 Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.

**38** He who believes into Me, as the Scripture said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.

**39** But this He said concerning the Spirit, whom those who believed into Him were about to receive; for the Spirit was not yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

# Rev. 7:17

17 For the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and guide them to springs of waters of life; and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

#### Rev. 21:6

**6** And He said to me, They have come to pass. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give to him who thirsts from the spring of the water of life freely.

## Rev. 22:1, 17

1 And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb in the middle of its street.

17 And the Spirit and the bride say, Come! And let him who hears say, Come! And let him who is thirsty come; let him who wills take the water of life freely.

#### Exo. 17:6

**6** I will be standing before you there upon the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it so that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.

## 1 Cor. 10:4

**4** And all drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank of a spiritual rock which followed them, and the rock was Christ.

**Further Reading:** HWMR The Preparation of the Bride – Week 4, Day 4

# Friday 11/7

#### Rev. 19:8-9

**8** And it was given to her that she should be clothed in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteousnesses of the saints.

**9** And he said to me, Write, Blessed are they who are called to the marriage dinner of the Lamb. And he said to me. These are the true words of God.

### Psa. 50:2

**2** Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

#### 2 Cor. 3:15-18

15 Indeed unto this day, whenever Moses is read, a veil lies on their heart;

**16** But whenever their heart turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

17 And the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

#### Isa. 33:17

17 Your eyes will see the King in His beauty; They will behold a land that is very far away.

# Isa. 45:<u>11</u>

11 Thus says Jehovah, The Holy One of Israel and the

One who formed him, Ask Me about the things to come concerning My sons, And concerning the work of My hands, command Me.

#### Rev. 2:7

7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR The Preparation of the Bride* – *Week 4, Day 5* 

# Saturday 11/8

### S.S. 4:7, 10-12, 15-16

7 You are altogether beautiful, my love, And there is no blemish in you.

**10** How beautiful is your love, my sister, my bride! How much better is your love than wine, And the fragrance of your ointments Than all spices!

11 Your lips drip fresh honey, my bride; Honey and milk are under your tongue; And the fragrance of your garments Is like the fragrance of Lebanon.

12 A garden enclosed is my sister, my bride, A spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

**15** A fountain in gardens, A well of living water, And streams from Lebanon.

**16** Awake, O north wind; And come, O south wind! Blow upon my garden: Let its spices flow forth; Let my beloved come into his garden And eat his choicest fruit.

## S.S. 6:3-4, 13

**3** I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine; He pastures his flock among the lilies.

4 You are as beautiful, my love, as Tirzah, As lovely as Jerusalem, As terrible as an army with banners.

13 Return, return, O Shulammite; Return, return, that we may gaze at you. Why should you gaze at the Shulammite, As upon the dance of two camps?

#### S.S. 8:13-14

13 O you who dwell in the gardens, My companions listen for your voice; Let me hear it.

**14** Make haste, my beloved, And be like a gazelle or a young hart Upon the mountains of spices.

#### Rev. 22:20

20 He who testifies these things says, Yes, I come quickly. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

**Further Reading:** *HWMR The Preparation of the Bride* – *Week 4, Day* 6

# Lord's Day 11/9

#### Luke 10:38-42

**38** Now as they went, He entered into a certain village, and a certain woman named Martha received Him into her home.

**39** And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at the Lord's feet and was listening to His word.

**40** But Martha was being drawn about with much serving, and she came up to Him and said, Lord, does it not matter to You that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to do her part with me.

**41** But the Lord answered and said to her, Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things:

42 But there is need of one thing, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her.

#### 2 Cor. 5:14-15

14 For the love of Christ constrains us because we have judged this, that One died for all, therefore all died;

**15** And He died for all that those who live may no longer live to themselves but to Him who died for them and has been raised.

#### 2 Cor. 11:2

**2** For I am jealous over you with a jealousy of God; for I betrothed you to one husband to present you as a pure virgin to Christ.

#### Rev. 11:15

15 And the seventh angel trumpeted; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He will reign forever and ever.

#### Dan. 2:35

35 Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed all at once, and they became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

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# **Further Reading**

Life-study of Ephesians, msg. 56

# Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Genesis Level 1—Sequential Life-study Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: Gen. 28

**Assigned Reading:** Life-study of Genesis, msg(s). 65-66

# Level 2—Topical Study

Crucial Point: Remember Lot's Wife

Scripture: Gen. 19

**Assigned Reading:** LS of Genesis, msg(s). 53-54

Supplemental Reading: CWWN, Set 2, Vol. 46, "Conferences, Messages, and Fellowship (6)", ch. 195 "Exposition on Luke 17:20-37"; Truth Lessons, Level Two, Vol. 2, ch. 20

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