



The Bride of Christ

Wow! How does one begin to discuss or even imagine such a thing as this? This poor servant will attempt here to share what lives in my imagination.

I believe God uses this as a symbol; something man can begin to grasp; something beyond human comprehension. No, it will not be a physical joining but more; something deeper and more intimate. Even that description falls so pitifully short since few marriages share such a deep intimacy.

Let's forget about all the confusion about men also becoming the bride; especially in this era of transgenderism, etc. (Satan always tries to corrupt the perfection of God.) We are talking about joining with the Creator of all things and learning the secrets of His existence. He will share that and more with us.

But it is not a reward that every believer will share in. The Word informs us there will be different rewards for different achievements. I'm not saying that someone won't make it to heaven, or that their joy won't be full. They will be pleased with the happiness their Lord is partaking in.

There are so many great men and women of God, that I dare not presume to be counted among them. They have sought and served Him long and hard. Their desire was always toward Him and pleasing Him. There were Abraham, Moses, David and so many notable ones since. Yes, their reward will be the greatest. But like the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes, I seek to get as close as I can to Him.

Do you seek to be the bride or do you just want to escape His wrath? Well bride, I tell you. It is far past time to lay aside that sin that so easily besets you; long past time to take Him and His commands seriously. "Be righteous for I am righteous."

It is one thing to change the diapers of a new believer and clean up their mess. It is another thing to have walked with Him for a period of time and seen no fruit in your life. Be careful, His pruning shears are out. He is coming for a bride without spot or wrinkle. He loves us too much to leave us as we are.

The Word is full of the gentle drawings of love, but know that His wrath is waiting at the door. The rich man in Luke 18 fell short and would not sell all he had to follow Jesus. He doesn't just want your possessions, He wants all of you. I'm not saying you have to give away all your possessions. I am saying you have to be willing to give all that He asks of you. Nothing above Him! Nothing before Him!

He won't settle for less in His bride. Before I fell deeply in love with Jesus, I often wondered about the worthiness of the Song of Solomon in the Bible. It is a passionate description of one's desire for their loved one. It is indeed the greatest "love" story ever told. That is awaiting His bride. That and more is promised.

While I was writing this article, I happened to be searching the web for some pictures. When I searched for prostrate, the only ones I found were with muslim men on their prayer rugs. I wonder why that is?

Have many never felt the need to grovel before their Lord, unworthy of even that rug to lay on; lower than even the dust of the earth from which you came? My God, have mercy on the western world. We propagated the world with His Word in our youth and it was a good thing. I feel we need them to come back and evangelize us.

This is the time of the outpouring of the latter glory. I believe it will be greater than the former glory (when Jesus walked this earth).

Every person alive at this time was appointed to be here - even the evil for God's wrath to be poured out upon. Why do they deserve to live His wrath? Never did I think I would see pictures of a young man tripping an old person on a walker. As he passed, he turned around to view the results of his handiwork. That is mild. People, there are more evil acts going on in secret than wholesome people can imagine.

The believer to experience the culmination of His Kingdom. What a honor and privilege to be appointed to live in these times. Never since our Lord came to redeem us have a people been so blessed. May we all live up to what our Lord sees in us. We don't need to be famous; just sold out for Him.

Then there are the lukewarm. Well, they are in a dangerous situation. He has said He would rather we were hot or cold. I beg you. Do not take His sacrifice for granted. It does not say the foolish virgins were lost; just that they could not make this trip with the Lord. (tribulation bound?)

Are you just drifting along with the current? Well, if you can drift when the outpouring comes, it means you aren't even paying attention. Maybe you will deserve the tribulation.

I have now read the the article mentioned below by David Wilkerson. I purposely didn't read it until I had written here. I didn't want to be influenced by it. All I can say is there is only one Holy Spirit and He speaks to us all. I agree, his article was much better written and resourced, but the gist was the same. There is just one more thing I would add to mine.

The bride must take up all the armor of God. We are to be a warring bride. There will be no need to fight when He comes. He will put a final vanquish to all. Until then, we fight against principalities and powers. We use the power and authority in His name to do battle. That makes us overcomers. Righteous deeds and acts will serve as our wedding garments.

Precious Lord, forgive me for treating Your sacrifice like a cheap grace. It cost You everything and I treated it much too lightly. Holy Spirit, help me to love the Lord as He has loved me; love Him as You and the Father do. That would be a perfect love.

For those who would like to read further on this matter, I refer you to an article by David Wilkerson from 1995. He gives a much better biblical interpretation of this matter. Author of "The From the Cross and the Switchblade". He was a servant of God, used mightily in work and prophecy. You may find the article at [David Wilkerson Article](#).