

THE GREAT MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB

Rev. 19:1-10

Study #39

Introduction: This is the great supper where all of heaven will be present to celebrate the union of Jesus Christ and the believers who have followed Him down through the centuries. It is to be the most celebrated and joyful event every experienced up to that point in history. It is to be the first time that *all the redeemed* of all ages have ever come together at *one time* to honor the Lamb, Jesus. God has planned the greatest celebration imaginable.

I. THE MARRIAGE SUPPER IS A SUPPER OF GLORIOUS PRAISE

1. The supper will be the *hallelujah of salvation*. (halal means praise, jah means God).
 - a. Salvation belongs to God: He is the one who brought it to man and the angels have watched with amazement at God's unbelievable mercy and grace to man. The angels will see the most spectacular sight they have ever seen.
 - b. Glory belongs to God: He alone possesses glory. The very glory of God will be given to believers on that glorious day.
 - c. Honor belongs to God: He is the source and creator of all that is. Therefore He will be honored as the Source and Creator.
 - d. Power belongs to God: He is the Supreme power in the universe. It is His power that has saved man and the world. Therefore, His power will be praised at the Marriage Supper.
2. The supper will be filled with the *hallelujah of victory*. The Lord Jesus Christ will triumph over all the ungodly and evil of the earth. Therefore He will be honored for His great glorious victory.
3. The supper will be filled with the *hallelujah of worship*. The 24 ruling elders and the four living creatures will lead the angels in offering worship. God deserves praise not for any particular thing, but just because He is so wonderful. Those closest to His throne will lead in the worship.
4. The supper will be filled with the *hallelujah of God's omnipotent reign*. The Lord our God, the Lord Jesus Christ is going to reign in omnipotent power over all.

II. THE MARRIAGE SUPPER WILL FOCUS UPON JESUS CHRIST

(In most weddings, the attention is centered upon the bride, but not so here.)

1. The focus will be upon the Lord Jesus Christ.

- He will be the cause of the gladness and rejoicing.
- Nobody would be there if it were not for Him.
- The supper is named after Him. It is His supper, in His honor.
- Jesus is the one who gathered up His bride.

2. Throughout all heaven, the focus will be upon the Lord Jesus Christ. Should it not be so here, today? He deserves our praise and attention NOW, not just then.

III. THE MARRIAGE SUPPER WILL HAVE A PURE AND PREPARED BRIDE

1. The bride, the church, will have prepared herself.

- a. She will have received the Lord Jesus as savior.
- b. She will have followed the Lord Jesus on earth:

2. The bride, the church, will have been righteous while on earth.

- a. She will have tried to live as much like Jesus as possible while on earth.
- b. She will have done righteous things while on earth.

3. There will be assigned places according to the believer's life on earth. Not every believer has performed for the Lord the same way while on earth, therefore not everyone will have the same privileges or duties in heaven.

IV. THE MARRIAGE SUPPER WILL BE THE MOST GLORIOUS EVENT EVER HELD IN HISTORY

1. All the heavenly host will be present. All believers and all angels gathered together for the very first time ever.

2. For the first time ever, all of God's people and angels will worship Him together.