## THE BOOK OF REVELATION

A REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

#### **REVELATION CHAPTER 19:6-10**

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#### THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

#### "I Do"

THE WEDDING OF THE LAMB OF GOD AND HIS CHURCH

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INTRODUCTION

to the text

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#### The "Summation" of the Text

HERE WE COME TO WHAT HAS BEEN SEEN AS THE HIGH-POINT OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION. "IT IS THE REWARD OF THE PASSION"

In verse 6-10 is found the reason why Jesus Christ came to earth and went to the cross...

#### Hebrews 12:2

looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

I would love to write a book telling people, what did Jesus get out of the passion of the Christ...

my friend the answer is as awesome as His suffering, and resurrection - it is that He has been given you as a reward!

#### Isaiah 53:5-6,10

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.

:6 We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.....: 10 Yet it was the will of the Lord to bruise Him; He has put Him to grief when His life was made an offering for our sin...

## That's Why John Had Earlier Seen Jesus, The Lamb Slain

#### **Revelation 5:6**

And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain,

The Setting is Heaven. The Event is a Wedding. The Reality of It,

Is That It is Yet To Take Place - - The Question Is, Will You Say



## THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB AND THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

## l.) Don't you want to know real relationship (?) v.7

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"will you take this man..."

## Don't you want to know real relationship

## a.) God desires for us to be glad

**v.7** 

:7 Let us be *glad*...

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#### Like a Groom and Like a Bride to be...

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - A Georgia bride-to-be who vanished just days before her wedding turned up in New Mexico and fabricated a tale of abduction before admitting Saturday that she had gotten cold feet and "needed some time alone," police said.

Jennifer W, 32, was in police custody more than 1,420 miles from her home on what was supposed to be her wedding day.

Ray S, chief of police in Albuquerque, said Jennifer "had become scared and concerned about her impending marriage and decided she needed some time alone." so she traveled to Las Vegas...

"It turns out that Miss W basically felt the pressure of this large wedding and could not handle it," said Randy B, the police chief in Duluth, Ga., the Atlanta suburb where W lives, no criminal charges will be sought - sad enough!!!.

Because Marriage Man's Way is a Wreck.

Marriage God's Way is a Blessing!

The Lord's Desire for Us is Gladness of Heart

## Don't you want to know real relationship

#### b.) God desires us to be rejoicing

**v.7** 

Let us be glad and rejoice...

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to jump for joy, to be exultant: — with exceeding great and overwhelming joy, to be fully engulfed.

#### Nehemiah 8:10

"Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not sorrow, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

#### 1 Peter 1:8

Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see *Him*, yet believing, you *rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory*,

### Don't you want to know real relationship

#### c.) God desires us to be attentive

**v.**7

Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, *and His wife has made herself ready* 

## PROPHETICALLY, THIS MEANS;

#### 2 Corinthians 11:2

For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present *you as* a chaste virgin to Christ.

## How Does She, the Church Make Herself Ready?

Once a Bride to Be Belongs to That Man - She Begins to Make Herself Ready

# How Does She, the Church Make Herself Ready? by being attentive !!!

#### Matthew 25:1-13

"Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. :2 Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. :3 Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, :4 but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. :5 But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. :6 "And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' :7 Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. :8 And the foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' :9 But the wise answered, saying, "No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' :10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. :11 "Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' :12 But he answered and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' :13 "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

#### **Titus 2:13**

looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

## THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB AND THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

### II.) Don't you want to know complete forgiveness (?)

And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

## Don't you want to know complete forgiveness

## a.) The Lord has given us all that is needed v.8

And **to her it was granted** to be arrayed To Her it was Granted, Bestowed, Graced... - she is graced with a gown

In The Western World, Weddings are Very Different.
The Bride spends months or more Preparing, and Buying, Organizing and Buying,
Inviting and Buying...

#### This Gown is Given Her

because she already belongs to Him by Engagement

## Don't you want to know complete forgiveness

## b.) The Lord has given us opportunity v.8

And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright,

#### WHAT PRACTICALLY, DOES THIS MEAN;

That The Lord has given us every opportunity to get dressed rightly for this up-coming wedding

#### **Ephesians 5:25-27**

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, :26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, :27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.

Because this is true, we are making ourselves a gown that is beautiful made out of right-doing which will honor Jesus Christ on that day.

## Don't you want to know complete forgiveness

## c.) The Lord has given us boasting rights v.

And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

- The Book of Romans is Justification before God Faith that Saves
- The Book of James is Justification before Man Faith that Works

## boasting rights?

#### **Romans 15:17**

Therefore I glory in Christ Jesus in my service to God.

#### 2 Timothy 4:6-8

For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. :7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. :8 Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

## boasting rights? = confidence!

#### 2 Corinthians 5:8-10

We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. :9 Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. :10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

#### **Isaiah 61:10**

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, My soul shall be joyful in my God; For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks *himself* with ornaments, And as a bride adorns *herself* with her jewels.

## THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB AND THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

### III.) Don't you want to know true meaning (?) V.9

Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed *are* those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!' " And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."

## Don't you want to know true meaning?

## a.) Happiness - He has invited us to happiness v.9

Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those...

# The Invitation to Know Christ is Global. The Lord is Calling Out.

?????? What is Your Response ???????

#### Matthew 11:28-30

Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. :29

Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. :30 For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light."

#### Come to Me

### Don't you want to know true meaning?

## b.) Celebration - He has invited us to celebrate v.9

Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'

## Those Called are Not The Bride, The Church - No Those Called are the Friends of the Bridegroom

#### John 3:29

He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is fulfilled.

# A BRIDE IS NEVER INVITED TO HER OWN WEDDING - SHE IS THE WEDDING!

'Blessed are those who are called (invited) to the **marriage supper** of the Lamb!'

These are the Believing Tribulation Saints who Died for their faith in Christ And The Old Testament Saints that died believing in the coming Messiah And Believing Israel will be there Too

#### Matthew 22:1-14

And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: :2 "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, :3 and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. :4 Again, he sent out other servants, saying, "Tell those who are invited, 'See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding." : 5 But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. :6 And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. :7 But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city 8 Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. :9 Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' :10 So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. :11 "But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. :12 So he said to him, "Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. :13 Then the king said to the servants, "Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.': 14 "For many are called, but few are chosen."

## Don't you want to know true meaning?

## c.) Relaxation - He has invited us to relax v.9

" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."

these are the LOGOS of GOD

#### 1 John 1:1-4

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life— :2 the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— :3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. :4 And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.

#### John 1:1-3,14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. :2 He was in the beginning with God. :3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.... :14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

#### Relaxation - He has invited us to relax

#### **Psalm 107:20**

He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.

## THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB AND THE BRIDE OF CHRIST

## IV.) Don't you want to know unconditional acceptance (?)

And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See *that you do* not *do that!* I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For <u>the testimony of Jesus</u> is the spirit of prophecy."

#### Don't you want to know unconditional acceptance

## a.) At home - John saw his new home v.10

And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "See *that you do* not *do that!* I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren...

the brethren have this testimony; That Jesus Christ is Our Future!

## What Can We Say About Heaven?

### Don't you want to know unconditional acceptance

## b.) A testimony - John had something to say v.10

who have the testimony of Jesus....

The Witness of Jesus

(SPECIFICALLY = THE TRIBULATION BELIEVERS BUT LIMITED TO THE THEM)

Personally;

I am always concerned about this.

I never want to grow old in Jesus and talk about the past glory days

## ?? are you 19 or 91, what is your testimony today ??

Heaven is Where We Will Talk About Jesus and The Father and the Holy Spirit,

about what He did and what's happening around us forever - without the ACLU - amen!

## Don't you want to know unconditional acceptance

## c.) A Hope - John knew what his future held v.10

Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

## The Story of Father Abraham,

Eliezer the Servant, The Son Isaac , and wonderful woman named Rebekah In Genesis 24

#### Exodus 12:3-5,11

Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: "On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of *his* father, a lamb for a household. :4 And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take *it* according to the number of the persons; according to each man's need you shall make your count for the lamb. :5 Your lamb shall be without blemish...:11 this *is* the LORD'S Passover.

## Do You Take This Lamb,

to be your personal sacrifice, to have to hold in honor and in peace. to accept Him and His love for you. Do you promise today to trust Him, to Believe in Him and to be Forgiven of all your sins on Account of Him?

Allow Me To End With This Challenge...

in what is called the oriental custom

there is the marriage of two people. it usually began while the husband and wife to be were young. the father of the bride and the father of the groom would pledge and promise the marriage to be.

in that process was the "keeping" and the "preparing" the families would honor one another by keeping and preparing the daughter and the son for that very special day that would be many years away.

the son who would be husband was now espoused or engaged to the daughter, the bride to be. His was the responsibility to prepare a place for the two of them, once his father gave permission.

the father would send out invitations and greetings that his son was about to marry and all would gather and begin a prepared waiting, for the son could come at any given time, usually in a few days.

everyone was expected to stay and to wait, to stay waiting, living with expectancy

#### John 14:1-3

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. :2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if *it were* not *so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. :3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

#### **Matthew 24:42**

Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming.

#### **Matthew 25:13**

"Watch therefore.

for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son is coming

#### Mark 13:33

Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is.

#### 1 Thessalonians 4:16

For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God.

#### Mark 13:36-37

be warned that coming suddenly, I find you sleeping. :37 And what I say to you, I say to all: Watch!"

I Want you to Think About Something That You may not have considered before. It is the desire that Jesus has for us. The desire and the excitement that He has to see you. because He loves us and died for us and serves us as He does, I believe that He wants us in heaven more than we want to be there ourselves

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why did he say "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.
:2 why did he say In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. why did he say I go to prepare a place for you. :3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, why did he say I will come again and receive you to Myself; why did he say that where I am, there you may be also. why did he say that - because he's waiting also !!!

## This Engagement is Personified by The Holy Spirit

#### **Acts 1:4**

And being assembled together with *them,* He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," *He said,* "you have heard from Me;

to be with Him in heaven!