



The Lord's Supper

Marriage Supper of the Lamb

The fellowship with God expressed in the old sacrificial system has been superseded by the fellowship we experience in the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper also anticipates a greater sacred meal, the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. This feast, at the end of the age, will be an occasion of great rejoicing.

A. Till That Day *Matt 26:29*

- 1. With anticipation and expectation:** At the conclusion of Passover many Jews will say, "Next year in Jerusalem." Every time we celebrate the Lord's Supper, it's possible that the next one will be the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.
- 2. A feast for all:** The Marriage Supper of Lamb is foreshadowed in *Isa 25:6-10*. The feast will not be limited to Israel but to all who believe.
- 3. Many await this feast:** Not only do we await this great feast but so do Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. (*Matt 8:11*)

B. Are You Ready for that Day? *Rev 19:7*

- 1. How do you get ready?** In the parable of the wedding feast in *Matt 22:1-14* a king gives a feast for his son's wedding. The invitations go out but no one seems interested in coming. Finally the king sends his servants to invite all who would come. God sent His son to the world that all who would believe on Him might have eternal life. We make get ready for the feast by believing in Christ as our savior.
- 2. How do you stay ready?** Celebrating the Lord's Table helps keep us ready. It's like rehearsal for the coming great feast. We also stay ready by denying ourselves and daily taking up the cross and following Him. (*Matt 16:24*)

C. Getting Dressed for that Day *Rev 19:8*

- 1. The wedding attire:** Fine linen was part of the priestly garments—a requirement to serve in the house of God. Here, because of the blood of the Lamb—we are permitted to where garments of priests. (*1 Pet 2:4-5; 9*)
- 2. Create your garment:** In the parable of the wedding feast in *Matt 22:11-14* someone came to the wedding without a wedding garment and was banned from the wedding. Your garment is made of your 'righteous acts.' In other words—all of your good deeds and actions go into making of your wedding garment.

D. Blessed on that Day *Rev 19:9*

- 1. Those who are called:** *Matt 22:14* says that many are called but few are chosen. The emphasis in *Rev 19:9* is that those who are called are also those who have been chosen—they have their robes of righteousness.

The nine Beatitudes of Matthew 5:3-11 all start with, "Blessed are you..." John writes a concluding blessing to the Beatitudes, "Blessed are those who are called to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb."

Matthew 26:26-29 (NKJV)

26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." **27** Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. **28** For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

29 But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom."

Revelation 19:6-10 (NKJV)

6 And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!

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."

8 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.

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."

Matt 8:11 And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.

Matt 22:11-14 "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."