

Halleluiah! For our Lord God Almighty Reigns

Revelation 19:1-10

"While the wedding ceremony itself appears to take place in heaven, the marriage supper seems to be held on earth. After the wedding ceremony, the Lord returns to earth with His bride at the Second coming. Since verse 9 says, "Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper," it is obvious that there are more than just the bride and Bridegroom at the supper.

The Bridegroom is Christ and the bride is the Church. So who are the others? John the Baptist gives us a clue in John 3 when he speaks of the "friend" of the groom, who in that passage has to be Israel. Therefore it would appear that the marriage supper of the Lamb is held on earth so that the redeemed of Israel, who have gone through the tribulation and survived the persecutions of the antichrist, may attend and rejoice at the marriage supper.

So the marriage supper of the Lamb will be a magnificent redemptive meal celebrating the uniting of Jews and Gentiles into one body, married to the Head of the Body, Jesus Christ.

The fact that it takes place on earth is a prelude to the thousand years the Bridegroom and Bride will spend reigning over the earth during the Millennium. The time of our preparation and purification is almost over. The day of the marriage ceremony is close at hand." David Jeremiah

- I. At this point in the book of Revelation, God's wrath against Satan, his minions and his evil world system is finished. The millennial reign of Christ is about to begin. The scene shifts from the earth and its devastation to heaven and the worship of a holy God who has dealt with evil and defeated it. Those in heaven, the saints, apostles, prophets, elders, and four living creatures celebrate and sing halleluiah because of the Lord's saving grace, resplendent glory, almighty power, truth, justice, vengeance, and sovereign reign as Lord God Almighty. It gives us a picture of why we worship God. We worship Him because he alone is worthy of our praise and adoration. We worship Him because it is expected of us, His bondservants, to reverence the one who has saved us from His wrath against sin through His Son, Jesus Christ.

Rev 19:1-9

Matthew 25:13

Psalm 113:1-3

Rev. 1:1

Eph. 5:8

- II. In verses 6-9 the scene shifts from heaven back to earth, where the marriage supper of the Lamb is about to take place. *“What John’s vision in Revelation pictures is the wedding feast of the Lamb (Jesus Christ) and His bride (the Church) in its third phase. The implication is that the first two phases have already taken place. The first phase was completed on earth when each individual believer placed his or her faith in Christ as Savior. The dowry paid to the Bridegroom’s Parent (God the Father) would be the blood of Christ shed on the Bride’s behalf. The Church on earth today, then, is “betrothed” to Christ and, like the wise virgins in the parable, all believers should be watching and waiting for the appearance of the Bridegroom. The second phase symbolizes the Rapture of the Church, when Christ comes to claim His bride and take her to the Father’s house. The marriage supper then follows as the third and final step.”*
David Jeremiah

Rev. 19:6-9

1 Chron. 16:31

Isa. 54:5

2 cor. 11:2

Eph. 5:25-26

- III. To hold to the testimony of Jesus means to remain true to Him in a world that is constantly challenging us follow its standard of what we are to accept and conform to. The angel in verse 10 commands us to worship God because through the prophetic testimony of Jesus, we have been given the ability to discern the deception of the world’s standard, see it for what it is, stand against it and avoid it’s influence at all costs knowing that the world and its desires pass away, but the man who does the will of God lives forever (1 Jn. 2:17).

Rev. 19:10

John 16:13-15 *When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.*