



God's Wedding

45th in the “Psalms” Series

Psalm 45

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Introduction

In this passage, the Psalmist celebrates a royal wedding between a righteous king and a beautiful bride.

Structure:

1. *Introduction* (45:1)
2. *Concerning the King* (45:2-9)
3. *Concerning the Bride* (45:10-15)
4. *Conclusion: The King's Blessing* (45:16-17)

Notes: While used for weddings throughout the history of the people of God, this Psalm ultimately trains the church to gaze upon the splendor of Jesus Christ, the cosmic bridegroom!

- The church rightfully praises Jesus Christ, the Bridegroom (vv. 1-9).
- The church, the bride of Christ, reflects the King's beauty and majesty (vv. 10-15).
- The marriage of the church to Christ is one of generational and eternal blessedness (vv. 16-17).

Response: Church, let us *rejoice and be glad and give him glory* (Rev. 19:7a), for our Bridegroom is worthy!

Sunday Text Questions

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Read the text aloud, and discuss together any significant observations or issues that need clarification.

- 1) Which line or phrase of Psalm 45 stands out to you the most and why?
- 2) The Psalmist speaks poetically of the king (vv. 2-9). What do these verses reveal about the person and work of Jesus Christ?
- 3) The Psalmist speaks poetically of the church (vv. 10-15). What do these verses reveal about the calling and character of the church?
- 4) The Psalmist ends the wedding hymn with a blessing from the king (vv. 16-17). How does this promise encourage believers (the church) during our intermediate, “already/not yet” (pre-wedding) sojourn?
- 5) The Psalms teach us how to pray. Using only the words from Psalm 45 as guidelines, spend time in your Small Group praying back to God what He has revealed to you.
- 6) In what other ways, if any, did this passage speak into your life to teach, rebuke, correct, or train you in righteousness (cf. 2 Timothy 3:16)?

Further study this week: Passages related to the message of this week's text: Hebrews 1 (Mon); Ephesians 5 (Tues); John 3:22-36 (Wed); Isaiah 54 (Thurs); Revelation 19 (Fri).