



The Marriage Supper of the Lamb • Part 1

Lesson 15 • Revelation 19:1-10

What's the best part of a wedding as a guest? If you're married, what was served at your reception dinner? What was it like when you first saw your Bride come down the aisle or your Bridegroom at the end of the aisle?

- The Marriage Supper of the Lamb is the **FULFILLMENT** of all the other meals we've studied. *Revelation 19:1-10*
Foreshadowed in the Old Testament. *Isaiah 25:6-10; cf. Revelation 21:22-27*
Foretasted in the New Testament. *Ten Meals in Luke's Gospel and Breaking Bread in the Book of Acts*
Fulfilled in the future at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb as recorded by John. *Revelation 19:1-10*
7th Seal has been opened! (8:1-6) • **7th Trumpet** has been sounded! (11:15-19) • **7th Bowl** has been poured! (15:1, 5-8; 16:1, 17-21)

- The Marriage Supper of the Lamb is the *celebration of the consummation* of our **UNION** with Christ!
Chapters 16–22 *Everything Builds to and from the Revelation of the Bloody Bridegroom with His Beautiful Bride!*
 - 1 – **"IT IS DONE!"** Old Creation Fully Judged by Pouring the Seven Bowls of God's Wrath (16:1-21)
 - 2 – Earthly Judgment Falls on the Perverse Whore of Babylon Drunk with Blood of the Saints (17:1-18:24)
 - 3 – Almighty God Begins His Kingdom Reign on Earth (19:1-6)
 - 4 – **Marriage Consummation of the Lamb with His Prepared Bride and the Marriage Supper Celebration Begins** (19:7-10)
 - 5 – **Revelation of the Warrior-King with His Saints: The Bloody Bridegroom with His Beautiful Bride** (19:11-16)
 - 6 – Massive Conquest at Armageddon and the Great Supper of God Begins [Antichrist & False Prophet Cast into Lake of Fire] (19:17-21)
 - 7 – Millennium Kingdom of Christ Begins with the First Resurrection of the Righteous (Satan Bound in Chains) (20:1-6)
 - 8 – Eternal Judgment Finalized After the Resurrection of the Unrighteous [Satan Cast into Lake of Fire] (20:7-15)
 - 9 – **"IT IS DONE!"** New Creation Fully Revealed with the Lamb's Wife, the New Jerusalem [12 Tribes/Gates & 12 Apostles/Foundations] (21:1-22:5)

- The Marriage Is the True Fairy Tale: *The Prince Slays the Dragon, Gets the Girl, and They Live Happily Ever After!*
Chapters 17–19 *Before the Bride of Christ Is Revealed the Whore of Babylon Must Be **REMOVED!***
General Order of a Jewish Wedding in the Bible
 1. **Promise** of the "betrothal" which was as binding as marriage without living together or marital sex.
 2. **Procession** by the Bridegroom to get His Bride and bring her back to his home to prepare for the actual wedding.
 3. **Preparation** of the Bride for her presentation on their wedding day while the Bridegroom is away.
 4. **Presentation** of the prepared Bride to the Bridegroom when he returns to his home for the wedding ceremony and supper.
 5. **Pledge** to one another before witnesses at the wedding ceremony.
 6. **Party** at the wedding supper which could last for several weeks.
 7. **Pleasure** of the wedding consummation in the bridal chambers.

The Marriage of the Lamb and His Prepared Bride

1. The Wedding **CHORUS!** *Revelation 19:1-6*

"Hallelujah! Our God Reigns to Bring Salvation Through Judgment for His Glory and Our Joy!"

- **1st Hallelujah:** Praise the Lord for His Powerful **VICTORY!** (v. 1)

"After these things I heard..."

- **2nd Hallelujah:** Praise the Lord for His Perfect **JUSTICE!** (vv. 2-3)
 1. His justice is perfect **retribution** and **vindication**. *Revelation 18:20; Psalm 149:5-9*
 2. His justice is perfect **truth** and **righteousness**.
 3. His justice is perfect in its **finality, totality, severity**, and **eternality**. *Revelation 14:9-11; 19:19-21; 20:10; 2:18-29*

- **3rd Hallelujah:** Praise the Lord for His Purifying **HOLINESS!** (v. 4)

- **4th Hallelujah:** Praise the Lord for His Permanent **SOVEREIGNTY!** (vv. 5-6)

Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!

#1 God's Salvation **WINS!** #2 God's Judgment **FALLS!** #3 God's Holiness **SHINES!** #4 God's Kingdom **COMES!**

2. The Wedding **CEREMONY!** *Revelation 19:7-8*

"The Bridegroom Has Come and His Bride Is Prepared! Time to Consummate Our Union!"

- **PREPARATION** by the Bride for the Bridegroom. (v. 7)

How Does the Bride Prepare?

By grace through faith in her Bridegroom the Lamb! 2 Corinthians 11:2-3; Ephesians 5:25-27

What Does the Bride's Preparation Look Like?

Her wedding dress is the "righteous acts of the saints"! Isaiah 61:10

- **PRESENTATION** of the Bride to the Bridegroom. (v. 8)

When Is the Bride Presented? *At the wedding ceremony before the wedding consummation!*

Warnings from the Bridegroom

Don't be found naked when He comes (Rev 3:4-5) and don't try to sneak in without your wedding garment (Mt 22:11-12)!

Next Week

The Wedding CELEBRATION of the Consummation! *Revelation 19:9-10*