



The Bride

Ephesians 5:25-27, 32

JESUS LOVES THE CHURCH

THE CHURCH IS THE BRIDE OF JESUS

- I. At a time in the future, Jesus will be **wed** to the Church. This event is called the **Marriage** Supper of the Lamb. Revelation 19:7-8
- II. There will be four key **participants** in this wedding.
 - A. The Hosting Father is **God**: Luke 14:16-23
 - B. The Loving Bridegroom is **Jesus**. John 1:29; John 3:27-30; Luke 5:32-35)
 - C. The Bride is the **church**: Ephesians 5:22-25; 2 Corinthians 11:2
 - D. The Guests are the **believers** saved before or after the church age.
- III. There are three key **elements** in Hebrew weddings
 - A. The **Betrothal** Stage: Eph. 1:3-4; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20
 - B. The **Presentation** Stage: John 14:2-3; 1 Thess. 4:16-17
 - C. The **Celebration** Stage: Revelation 19:7-8
- IV. As the Betrothed Bride of Jesus our Responsibility is **Intimacy**, Purity, **Loyalty**, and Expectancy. 2 Cor. 11:2

Is Jesus Coming Soon?

Matthew 24:8