

Welcome to Rehoboth New Life Center

Sunday Study July 19th 2015

## The Bride Of Christ Getting Ready Part 1



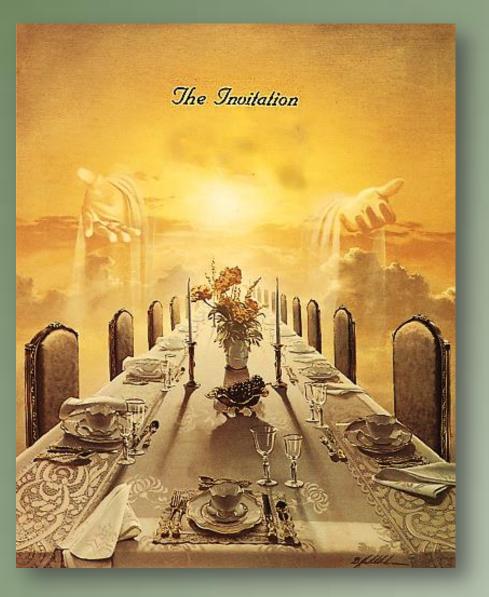
Revelation 19:7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

## **Lesson Principles**



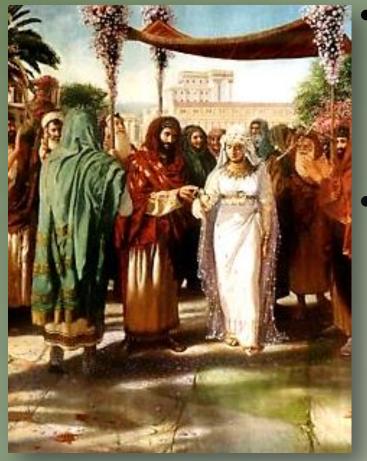
- The Wedding is arranged
- It is a Covenant Wedding
- Everything has been provided
- The bride must get dressed.

## The Marriage



- Matthew 22:2 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,
- Revelation 19:9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

## The Three C's



#### • Covenant: Ketubbah

 The Groom chooses a bride and negotiates a bride price. If the father and the bride agree

#### Consumation: Chuppah

- After payment of the bride price, and time to prepare the new living place. The Groom comes to consumate the marriage, and then takes the bride away
- Celebration: "Gamos" (greek)
  - The wedding feast is held at the grooms house

#### The Ancient Jewish Ceremony The "Ketubbah", The covenant

אווי בדוכן ובחווי בכובה את יידע אפורי ויכובה בריאות ובאושר, יי מי ייתן וביתנר ימלא שלום נבורך במזל טוב, בבריאות ובאושר, יי ומסירותינו לאמונת ישראל תאצילנו.

בריתנו הקדושה שרירה וקיימת.

UN THIS DAY OF GREAT CELEBRATION AND JOY, ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, THE IST" DAY OF THE MONTH OF TAMMUZ IN THE YEAR 5770, WHICH CORRESPONDS TO THE 27" DAY OF JUNE IN THE YEAR 2010, JORDAN DANIEL MELNICK AND LINDSEY ERIN SNYDER SPOKE THE WORDS AND PERFORMED THE RITES WHICH UNITED THEIR LIVES IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD'S BLESSINGS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF MOSES AND ISRAEL.

TODAY WE PLEDGE TO MOVE FORWARD TOGETHER THROUGH THE REST OF OUR LIVES. WE VOW TO BOLSTER EACH OTHER IN WEAKNESS, TO ROUSE EACH OTHER IN FATIGUE, TO PROTECT EACH OTHER IN DANGER, TO GUIDE EACH OTHER IN DOUBT. WE WILL SHARE LIFE'S BLESSINGS, JOYS AND PLEASURES, AS WE WILL SHARE ITS TRIALS AND HARDSHIPS, WE WILL BE EACH OTHER'S CONFIDANT AND MOST LOYAL FRIEND. THOUGH MUCH HAS COME BEFORE, OUR MARRIAGE IS A BEGINNING, THE START OF AN EVOLVING UNDERSTANDING OF OURSELVES. TOGETHER WE PLEDGE TO EMBRACE LIFE FULLY, WITH LOVE AND COMPASSION AND CURIOSITY AS OUR GUIDING LIGHTS, MAY WE ENJOY GOOD HEALTH, INSPIRATION AND A PEACEFUL HOME.

BRIDE	כלה	GROOM	חתן
WINESS	כאים עד	WITNESS	אוס עד

Marriage to the Jews of Jesus's day was a practical legal matter, established by contract and carried through by exacting procedure. The young man would come to the chosen girl's house with a covenant (a true legal agreement) giving the terms by which he would propose marriage. The most important being the price he was willing to pay for this bride.

i. The bride would chose her husband and her father would sign a legal covenant with him called a "ketubbah".

ii. Once this is signed the couple is 100% married but have not been intimate yet.

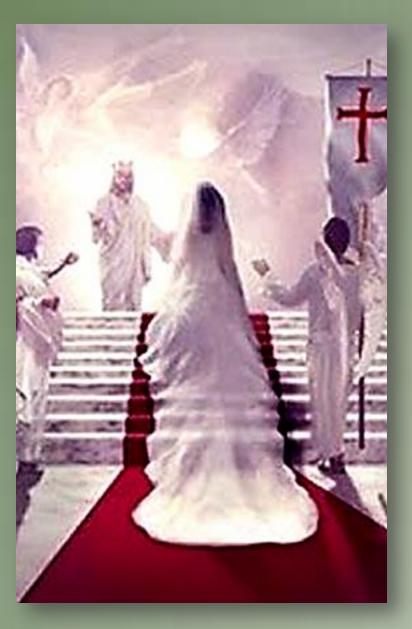
iii. Young children were often married, (arranged marriage) but did not consummate until of age.

### The "Daughter of Zion"



- Jeremiah 6:2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate woman.
- Isaiah 62:11 Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him.

#### The Betrothal(Engagement)



Zechariah 9:9 **[Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion**; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he **is just, and having salvation**; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

Hosea 2:19 And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies.

#### The Betrothal: The Unamed Servant



 Genesis 24:3 And I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell:

• 4 But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac.

Genesis 15:2 ¶And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus?

Exodus 18:4 And the name of the other was Eliezer; for the God of my father, said he, was mine help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh:

#### The arranged marriage



Genesis 24:13 Behold, I stand here by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:

14 And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be she that thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master.

15 And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

16 And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her: and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.

#### The Helper who fetches the bride



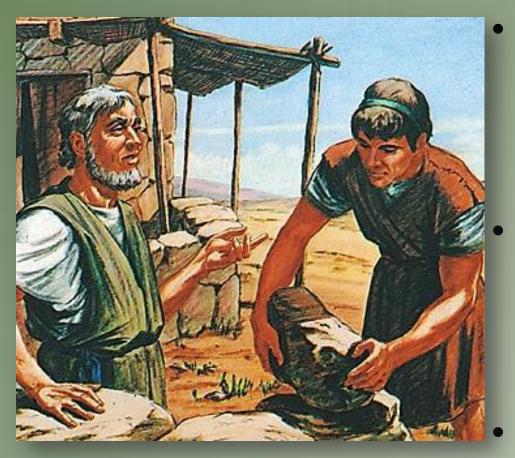
Genesis 24:1 ¶And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.

2 And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh:

3 And I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell:

John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

#### The Price: The kettubah(Covenant)



Genesis 29:18 And Jacob loved Rachel; and said, I will serve thee seven years for Rachel thy younger daughter. 19 And Laban said, It is better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me.

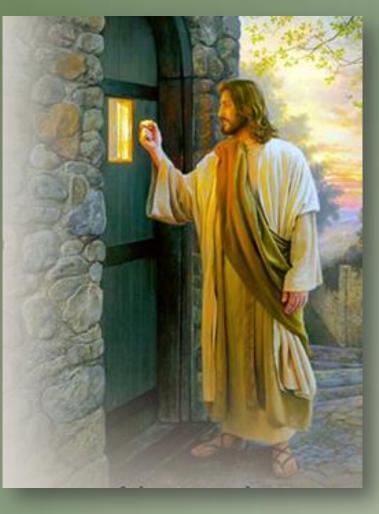
20 And Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him but a few days, for the love he had to

## Getting the bride ready



Isaiah 61:10 ¶I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

## **Getting Ready!**



Luke 12:35 Be Ready for the Lord's Coming "Be dressed for service and keep your lamps burning,

36 as though you were waiting for your master to return from the wedding feast. Then you will be ready to open the door and let him in the moment he arrives and knocks.

37 The servants who are ready and waiting for his return will be rewarded. I tell you the truth, he himself will seat them, put on an apron, and serve them as they sit and eat!

38 He may come in the middle of the night or just before dawn, in the second or third watch. But whenever he comes, he will reward the servants who are ready.

# **Getting Ready!**



Romans 13:11 ¶And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

14 But **put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ**, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

Revelation 19:8

It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.