

Behold | Sermons through the Revelation

Sermon #38 | Revelation 19:9-10 | Introduction to The Second Coming

Revelation 19:9 | The Marriage Supper

- What is the **marriage supper of the Lamb**?
 - According to *Got Questions* – “It is our view that the marriage supper of the Lamb takes place in heaven between the rapture and the second coming (during the tribulation on earth). Attending the wedding feast will be not only the Church as the Bride of Christ, but others as well. The “others” include the Old Testament saints—they will not have been resurrected yet, but their souls/spirits will be in heaven with us.” (<https://www.gotquestions.org/marriage-supper-Lamb.html>)
 - The challenge with this is that the marriage supper comes at the same time as the Second Coming, and it is composed of a bride who has **made herself ready** (v. 7) with **the righteousness of the saints** (v. 8).
 - The *Got Questions* article is based on speculative wedding customs of the first century. The Bible itself, however, gives the account of a wedding feast in Matthew 22:1-14.
- A review of Matthew 22:1-14 –
 - God made a marriage for His Son (v. 2).
 - **Them that were bidden** would not come to the feast (v. 3), even though invited by the King’s servants.
 - Other servants were sent when the dinner had been fully prepared (v. 4). This begins the book of Acts.
 - Many who were invited simply **made light** of the invitation (v. 5). Others, however, killed these servants (v. 6).
 - The king destroyed the city (v. 7). A prophetic reference to A.D. 70.
 - A hidden prophetic gap of at least 2,000 years takes place between verses 7 and 8. After this time, a scattered crew (of Jews) was invited because **the wedding is ready** (vv. 8-9).
 - Both **bad and good** came into the wedding feast (v. 10). The one without the **wedding garment** was cast into the **outer darkness** (v. 11-13).
 - Of those **called**, only a few are **chosen** to enter the Kingdom (v. 14, in connection with the context of v. 2).

- Those who are **called** (Rev. 19:9) into the marriage supper have a *great obligation of works*, and with it a *great opportunity of Kingdom reward*.
- The marriage supper is the gathering of the Jewish people from all the corners of the world. It takes place at the Second Coming, and the righteous Jews will enter into their promised Kingdom.

Revelation 19:10 | The Fellow-servant

- John **fell at his feet to worship him**. Consider this: *if John the apostle could be so quick to worship the wrong man, then you and I should take tremendous care that we do not have misplaced worship of our own*.
- The spokesman was simply a **fellow-servant** both of John and of **thy brethren**. That is, an angel who was assigned to Israel (perhaps Michael? See Dan. 10:21).
- The command: **worship God** because of **the testimony of Jesus**.

A Word about Worship

- While verse 10 is not about those of us living in this age of grace, could a person ever go wrong with this instruction?
- We should **worship God** because...
 - He is our creator and sustainer
 - He is almighty and true
 - He has offered full and free salvation.
- We should **worship God**...
 - In a spirit of joyful reverence
 - In a spirit of anticipation
 - In a spirit of knowledge
- Easy errors in worship...
 - To worship *creation* rather than the Creator.
 - To worship a *god of our imagination* rather than the revealed God.
 - Some make Him to be the *feel-good* God.
 - Some make Him to be the *God of punishment*.
 - Some make Him to be the *God of provision*.
 - Some make Him to be the *to-do list* God.
 - To view worship as *singing* rather than a life lived as a testimony to God’s grace.
 - Real worship is the dedication of your life and thinking to His glory and His gospel of grace.