



## Bible study for the week starting September 14, 2025

### SHARE

What is your favorite wedding custom? The Reception? Walking down the Aisle? The wedding party? Best man speeches? First looks?

What was your favorite moment of your wedding? Of a recent wedding that you went to?

What is your least favorite wedding custom? Worst wedding memory?

### READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Jewish custom was that the groom would prepare a room for the bride in his father's house. How does this custom impact how you read **John 14:1-3**.
  - a. Where else does this metaphor show up in scripture?
    - i. Isaiah 61:10; Isaiah 62:5
    - ii. Joel 2:16
    - iii. Matthew 25:1-13
    - iv. John 3:26-30
2. Read **Revelation 19:11-16**. What sticks out from the reading? Descriptions of Jesus that are striking? What is he wearing? What is he coming to do?
3. Read **Isaiah 61:1-12**. What is the juxtaposition of favor and judgement in Isaiah and in Revelation?
4. Read **Rev 19:17-21**. What is the outcome for the enemies of YHWH?

### PRAY

Pray that we would remain faithful to the bridegroom, wait with hope and fulfill the purpose as the bride waits for the groom to return.



## Behold the Bridegroom”

Revelation 19:11-21

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You are not just on the guest list...you are the BRIDE.

“Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the LAMB.” Revelation 21:9

“Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the CHURCH and gave himself up for her...” Eph. 5:25

“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many ROOMS. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to PREPARE a place for you?” John 14:1-2

Judgement will be ALL-CONSUMING.

Do you live as if the BRIDEGROOM is returning for YOU?

FAITHFUL: We are not simply waiting for a BETTER option to trust...we are trusting Him as the only GOOD option in our waiting.

PURPOSEFUL: Being the Bride doesn't just mean people ATTENDING a church building on a weekend...it means the church attending to people BUILDING them up in their weakness.

HOPEFUL: Knowing that He is returning for me means my PAST struggles do not define me...my PRESENT suffering is truly temporary...and my FUTURE is secure and

“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to MYSELF, that where I am YOU MAY BE also.” John 14:3

For next Sunday, please read Revelation 20:1-10.