

Matt. 22:2 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a **certain** king, ***which made a marriage for his son***, 3 And sent forth his servants to ***call them that were bidden*** to the wedding: and they would not come. 4 Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage. 5 But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: 6 And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. 7 But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. 8 Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy. 9 Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. 10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with ***guests***. 11 And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: 12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither ***not having a wedding garment?*** And he was speechless. 13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 14 For many are called, but few are chosen.

Note: 1Chron. chapter 28 and 29 and 1Kings chapters 1:50,51 and 2:28-34. David—the certain king, Solomon—for whom David made a marriage, Adonijah, Joad, shimei—the guests without a wedding garment. *Matt. 21:38*

Gal. 4:26 But ***Jerusalem which is above*** is free, which ***is the mother of us all***. *Isa. 62:4; Songs of Solomon.*

Matt. 9:15 And Jesus said unto them, Can ***the children of the bridechamber mourn***, as long as the ***bridegroom*** is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be ***taken from them***, and then shall they fast.

John 3:29 ***He that hath the bride is the bridegroom***: but the ***friend*** of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.

Matt. 25:10 And while they went to buy, ***the bridegroom came; and they***” (virgins-not bride) ***“that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.*** *Rev. 3:7,20.*

Luke 12:36 And ye yourselves like unto ***men*** that wait for their lord, ***when he will return from the wedding***; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately. . . 19:12 He said therefore, A certain nobleman ***went into a far***

*country to receive for himself a kingdom*, and to return. *Isa. 62:4; Rev. 3:7*

Note: The virgins are the same as the Guests, children, friend, men. The offensiveness in making the church the bride is revealed that Jesus would marry His children or men. *Due. 32:19; Isa. 32:12; 37:22; Jer. 18:13; 31:4, 21; Lam. 2:13; Pro. 14:26*. With what then does the marriage take place, for the church is not present and the marriage takes place before He returns.

Rev. 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is ***with men***, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. . . . 9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, ***I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife***. 10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and ***shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God***,

John 14:2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. ***I go to prepare a place for you***. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. *Rev. 19:8*.

Matt. 13:41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom ***all things that offend, and them which do iniquity***; 42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.