

REVELATION 19:6-10



⁶ Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out,

“Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God
the Almighty reigns.

⁷ Let us rejoice and exult
and give him the glory,
for the marriage of the Lamb has come,
and his Bride has made herself ready;

⁸ it was granted her to clothe herself
with fine linen, bright and pure”

—for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

⁹ And the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.” And he said to me, “These are the true words of God.” ¹⁰ Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, “You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God.” For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

A sermon introduction that worked too well...

1) Rejoice as the engagement is announced!

- we are going to be married to Jesus
(“the marriage of the Lamb has come”, v7; cf. Mark 2:19-20; John 3:29; Ephesians 5:22-33)
- better to be Jesus’ bride than the prostitute

2) Prepare for the wedding day!

- there is something that Jesus has done
(“it was granted her”, v8; cf. 6:11)
- there is something for us to do
(“to clothe herself”, v8; cf. 3:4; 7:14)

3) Tell everyone about the wedding!

- to worship is to witness, in the company of angels and martyrs
(“the testimony of Jesus. Worship God. For the testimony of Jesus...”, v10)

COFFEE QUESTION

How much is your life shaped by your engagement?