

# SMALL GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever wondered if there was marriage in heaven? Have a short group discussion about it.
2. What is the purpose of marriage in light of the marriage of the Lamb?
3. How does marriage on earth prepare us for life in eternity?
4. What do the four stages of an ancient Jewish wedding represent in our relationship with Christ?
5. How does the future marriage in heaven change how we view marriage on earth?
6. What areas of your marriage do you need to work on? How can you make your marriage stronger?

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Answers to fill in the blanks:  
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SELECTION, PREDESTINATION, BETROTHAL, SALVATION, PRESENTATION, RAPTURE,  
MARRIAGE FEAST, THE MILLENNIAL KINGDOM

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## SERMON NOTES

### THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB Revelation 19:7-10 INTRODUCTION

- The Bible does \_\_\_\_\_ that there will be no marriage in heaven.  
*Matthew 22:30 (CSB)*  
*<sup>30</sup>For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage but are like angels in heaven.*
- What it does say is that there will be only \_\_\_\_\_ marriage - between Christ and His bride.
- Earthly marriage is a shadow of the \_\_\_\_\_ marriage.  
*Ephesians 5:31-32 (CSB)*  
*<sup>31</sup>For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh. <sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, but I am talking about Christ and the church.*
- The purpose of marriage is not to replace Heaven, but to \_\_\_\_\_ for it.
- God created marriage for us so that we might have a \_\_\_\_\_ of life with Him in eternity.

# SERMON NOTES CONTINUED

## REVELATION 19:7-10

<sup>7</sup>Let us be glad, rejoice, and give him glory, because the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has prepared herself. <sup>8</sup>She was given fine linen to wear, bright and pure. For the fine linen represents the righteous acts of the saints. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, "Write: Blessed are those invited to the marriage feast of the Lamb!" He also said to me, "These words of God are true." <sup>10</sup>Then I fell at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, "Don't do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers and sisters who hold firmly to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God, because the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

## FOUR STAGES OF AN ANCIENT JEWISH WEDDING

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the bride by the father.

*Ephesians 1:4 (CSB)*

<sup>4</sup>For he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless in love before him.

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2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the bride and groom.

*2 Corinthians 11:2-3 (CSB)*

<sup>2</sup>For I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy, because I have promised you in marriage to one husband—to present a pure virgin to Christ. <sup>3</sup>But I fear that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning, your minds may be seduced from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ.

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3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the bride and groom.

*John 14:1-3 (CSB)*

<sup>1</sup>"Don't let your heart be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.

<sup>2</sup>In my Father's house are many rooms; if not, I would have told you. I am going away to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup>If I go away and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to myself, so that where I am you may be also.

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4. The \_\_\_\_\_

*Matthew 8:11 (CSB)*

<sup>11</sup>I tell you that many will come from east and west to share the banquet with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.

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## TEN WAYS TO MAKE YOUR MARRIAGE STRONGER

1. End the day with a clean slate. (*Ephesians 4:26*)
2. Not 50-50 (*Ephesians 5:33*)
3. Keep personal problems personal.
4. Live within your means.
5. Divorce is not an option.
6. Guard your heart.
7. Forget the past.
8. Compliment in word and action.
9. Love one another.
10. Put God First.