

The Greatest Wedding Ever!

Revelation 19:1-10

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Revelation Series

- I. Heaven rejoices as Babylon's advance fails (1-7a).
- A. God's judgment poured out on Babylon is **true** and **just** (1-2; cf. Rom. 12:17-19).
- B. The Enemy will have advanced his kingdom to its **zenith** (cf. Rev.18).
- C. **Failure** is the end of anything associated with the Enemy's Kingdom (Rev. 18:8,10,17,19).
- D. When Babylon falls all of heaven **rejoices** (1-6).
- E. The 24 elders and the 4 living creatures join in the celebration—shouting **Amen** and **Hallelujah!** (cf. Ps. 104:35)
- NOTE: The fall of Babylon and the rejoicing of heaven suggests the Wedding of the Lamb is near.

- II. The Wedding of the Lamb and the Wedding Supper of the Lamb.
What are the major elements in a traditional Hebrew wedding?
(verses include NT parallels)
- A. First, a **contract** was agreed upon (I Cor. 6:19-20).
- B. Then, they were considered **betrothed** or 'set apart' (cf. Matt. 1:18-19).
- C. Next, wedding **preparations** were made which could last up to but not longer than 12 months (cf. Matt. 24:36; Lk. 12:40; Matt 25: 1-13;).
- D. The **wedding** (cf. Jn. 14:2-3; I Thess. 4:16-18; I Cor. 15:51b-52)
- Who are the participants?
- E. **Christ** is the groom (Jn. 3:28; Eph. 5:25-33).
- F. The church is Christ's **bride** (Eph. 5:22-23; Rev. 21:9; II Cor. 11:2; John 14: 1-3).
- G. Possibly, the guests are the Old Testament era **saints** (Jn. 3:29).



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