

**HE THAT HATH THE BRIDE IS THE BRIDEGROOM**  
**(John 3:29)**

**John 3:28** Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before him. **29** He that hath the **(1)bride** is the **(2)bridegroom**: but the **(3)friend** of the **bridegroom**, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the **bridegroom's** voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled. **30** He must increase, but I must decrease.(KJV)

**Definitions:** **(1)bride**-3565 numphe (noom-fay'); from a primary but obsolete verb nupto (to veil as a bride; compare Latin "nupto," to marry); a young married woman (as veiled), including a betrothed girl; by implication a son's wife: KJV-- bride, daughter in law.1) a betrothed woman, a bride 2) a recently-married woman, a young wife....**(2)bridegroom**-3566 numphios (noom-fee'-os); from 3565; a bride-groom (literally or figuratively): KJV-bridegroom **(3)friend**-5384 philos (fee'-los); properly, dear, i.e. a friend; actively, fond, i.e. friendly (still as a noun, an associate, neighbor, etc.): KJV-- friend. d) one of the (bride) groom's friends who on his behalf asked the hand of the bride and rendered him various services in closing the marriage and celebrating the nuptials

**John 3:29 ... hath the bride is the bridegroom: (KJV)**

**Matt 22:1** And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said, **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. (see murderer:1John3:13-19; see good and bad: Matt.13:37-43; see also wedding garment: Rom.13-14; Gal.3:27; Eph.4:21-24; Col.3:9-10)

**Acts 19:1** And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, **2** He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. **3** And he said unto them, **Unto what then were ye baptized?** And they said, **Unto John's baptism**. **4** Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. **5** When they heard this, they were baptized in the name

of the Lord Jesus. (KJV)

**Rom 7:1** Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth? **2** For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband. **3** So then if, while her husband liveth, (1)she be married to (2)another man, she shall be called an **adulteress**: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man. **4** Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are **become dead to the law** by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.(KJV)

**Definitions:** (1)she be married-1096 ginomai (ghin'-om-ahee); a prolongation and middle voice form of a primary verb; to cause to be ("gen"-erate), i.e. (reflexively) to become (come into being), used with great latitude (literal, figurative, intensive, etc.): KJV-- arise, **be assembled**, be (-come. (2)to **another** man-2087 heteros (het'-er-os);-of uncertain affinity; (an-, the) other or different: KJV-- altered, else, next (day), one, (an-) other, some, strange.

**2 Cor 11:1** Would to God ye could bear with me a little in my folly: and indeed bear with me. **2** For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. **3** But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.(KJV)

**2 Cor 13:5** Examine yourselves, whether ye be **in the** faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?(KJV)

**Eph 5:22** Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. **23** For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. **24** Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. **25** Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; **26** That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, **27** That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. **28** So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. **29** For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: **30** For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. **31** For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. **32** This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. **33** Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

**Rev 19:7** Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: **for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready**. **8** And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. **9** And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.(KJV)

**1 Cor 1:11** For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you. **12** Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and **I of Christ**. **13 Is Christ divided?** was Paul crucified for you? or were ye baptized in the name of Paul? (KJV)

**James 4:1** From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members? **2** Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not. **3** Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts. **4** Ye **(1)adulterers** and **(2)adulteresses**, know ye not that the **(3)friendship** of the **world** is **(4)enmity** with God? whosoever therefore **(5)will** be a **(6)friend** of the **(7)world** is the **(9)enemy** of God. **5** Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? **6** But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. **7** Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. **8** Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.(KJV)

**Definitions:** **(1)adulterers**-3432 moichos (moy-khos'); perhaps a primary word; a (male) paramour; figuratively, apostate: KJV-- adulterer....**(2)adulteresses**-3428 moichalis-1) an adulteress 2) as the intimate alliance of God with the people of Israel was likened to a marriage, those who relapse into idolatry are said to commit adultery or play the harlot;figuratively, equivalent to faithless to God, unclean, apostate....**(3)friendship**-5373 philia (fil-ee'-ah);from 5384; fondness: KJV—friendship....**(4)enmity**-2189 echthra (ekh'-thrah);feminine of 2190; hostility; by implication, a reason for opposition: KJV-- enmity, hatred....**(5)will**-1014 boulomai-1) to will deliberately, to have a purpose, to be minded 2) used of willing as an affection, to desire **(6)friend**-5384 philos (fee'-los); properly, dear, i.e. a friend; actively, fond, i.e. friendly (still as a noun, an associate, neighbor, etc.), to be friendly to one, to wish him well a) a friend b) an associate c) he who associates familiarly with one, a companion: KJV-- friend....**(7)world**-2889 kosmos- 1) an apt and harmonious arrangement or constitution, order, government 2) ornament, decoration, adornment, that is, the arrangement of the stars, `the heavenly hosts', as the ornament of the heavens. 5) the inhabitants of the earth, men, the human race 6) the ungodly multitude; the whole mass of men alienated from God, and therefore hostile to the cause of Christ 7) world affairs, the aggregate of things earthly the whole circle of earthly goods, endowments riches, advantages, pleasures, etc., which although hollow and frail and fleeting, stir desire, seduce from God and are obstacles to the cause of Christ....**(8)enemy**-2190 echthros (ech-thros'); from a primary echtho (to hate); hateful (passively, odious, or actively, hostile); usually as a noun,an adversary (especially Satan): KJV-- enemy, foe.

#### **James 4:4 ... the friendship of the world is (KJV)**

**2 Cor 5:14** For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: **15** And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. **16** **Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh:** yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more. **17** Therefore if any man be **in** Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; **behold, all things are become new.**(KJV)

**Rom 12:16** Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. (KJV)

**2 Cor 6:14** Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? **15** And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? **16** And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. **17** **Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing;** and I will receive you, **18** And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.(see **believers:** John17:17-21; Rom.10:16-17; Phili.1:27-30; James1:21-25; 2:14-26).

**Gal 1:1** Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;) **2** And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia: **3** Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, **4** **Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:** **5** To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (KJV)

**Eph 4:17** This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth **walk not** as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, **18** Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: **19** Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. **20** But ye have not so learned Christ; **21** If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: **22** That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; **23** And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; **24** And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.(KJV)

**Col 2:20** Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances, **21** (Touch not; taste not; handle not; **22** Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of men? **23** Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honour **to the satisfying of the flesh.**

**Col 2:6** As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so **walk ye in him:** **7** Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving. **8** Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. **9** For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. **10** And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:(KJV)

**Col 3:1** If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. **2** **Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.** **3** For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. **4** When Christ, who is our life, shall appear,

then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

**James 1:27** Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and **to keep himself unspotted from the world.**

**James 3:10** Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. **11** Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter? **12** Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so can no fountain both yield salt water and fresh. **13** Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a **good conversation his works** with meekness of wisdom. **14** But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, **and lie not against the truth.** **15** This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. **16** For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. **17** But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy. **18** And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

**I Jn 2:15** Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. 17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.(KJV)

**I Jn 5:19** **And we know that we are of God, and the whole world (1)lieth in wickedness. 20** And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life. **21** Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen. **(1)lieth-2749** keimai-1) to lie 2) metaphorically: a) to be (by God's intent) set,, that is, destined, appointed c) lies in the power of the Evil One,, that is, is held in subjection by the Devil

#### **James 4:4 ... enmity with God? (KJV)**

**Rom 8:4** That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. **5** For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. **6** For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. **7** Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. **8** So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. **9** But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. **10** And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.(KJV)

**Rom 13:14** But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.(KJV)

**Eph 2:1** And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; **2** Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: **3** Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the

mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. (KJV)

**Phil 3:15** Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you. **16** Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing. **17** Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. **18** (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: **19** Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) **20** For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: (KJV)

**Col 2:18** Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

**Col 3:5** Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: **6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:** **7** In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. **8** But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. **9** Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; **10** And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him: **11** Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.(KJV)

**James 4:4 ... whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world (KJV)**

**Mark 13:22** For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect. (KJV)

**Acts 20:29** For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. **30** Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. (KJV)

**2 Cor 4:1** Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; **2** But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God. **3** But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: **4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. **5** For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.(KJV)**

**2 Cor 11:13** For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. **14** And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. **15** Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.(KJV)

**Gal 1:9** As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be (1)accursed. **10** For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ. **11** But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. **12** For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ....**(1)**let him be **accursed**-331 anathema (an-ath'-em-ah); from 394; a (religious) ban or (concretely) excommunicated (thing or person): KJV-- accused, anathema, curse, X great.

**1 Tim 4:1** Now the **Spirit speaketh expressly**, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; 3 Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth. 4 For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: 5 For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer. 6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained. 7 But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness. 8 For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come. 9 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. 10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe. 11 These things command and teach. 12 Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. 13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. (KJV)

**2 Tim 4:3** For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. 5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. (KJV)

**2 Pet 2:1** But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. **2** And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. **3** And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not. (KJV)

**I Jn 2:26** These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you.

**I Jn 3:7** Little children, let no man deceive you: he that **doeth** righteousness is **(1)righteous**, even as he is righteous. (KJV)

**(1)righteous** 1342 dikaios-righteous, observing divine laws a) in a wide sense, upright, righteous, virtuous, keeping the commands of God 4) approved by or acceptable by God