

“Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.” – Revelation 19:11

Overview:

Here we see the bride of Christ worshipping the coming King. Our perspective is gladness, our expression is rejoicing and our focus is giving Him glory. Why? Because the marriage of the Lamb has come and His wife has made herself ready.

How do we make ourselves ready? It is not of works because our works in God's eyes are dirty rags. It comes as a free gift of God's grace by putting our faith in Jesus Christ for our salvation. When we do this, God us the gift of the Holy Spirit. We serve God not to earn our salvation but we get the privilege of serving Him because of being saved by the blood of Christ Jesus our Lord.

References:

Rev 19:8 – Bride/Church given the gift of Salvation in the gift of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4,41, 2 Corinthians 11:2)

Rev 19:8 – Not earning salvation which is given, but being made free to truly serve Him. God ultimately does this in our lives (Ephesians 5:27-29)

Rev 19:8 – Fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. The blood of Jesus Christ makes the righteous acts acceptable

- Our righteousness are like filthy rags – (Isaiah 64:6)
- We were dead in trespasses and sins – (Ephesians 2:1)
- In my flesh, nothing good dwells – (Romans 7:18)
- In sin my mother conceived me – (Psalm 51:5)
- None who does good. Not a just man on the earth – (Psalm 53:1, Ecclesiastes 7:20)

Rev 19:8 – We have the privilege of serving Him – (Ephesians 2:10, Romans 8:1, 12-17)

Rev 19:9 – Write – (Rev 1:19, 14:13, 19:9, 21:5)

Rev 19:9 – Blessed are – Beatitudes in Revelation – (Rev 1:3, 14:13, 16:15, 19:9, 20:6, 22:7; 22:14)

Rev 19:9 – These are the true sayings of God – Close this section of Revelation – (Rev 17:1-19:9)

- Similar exchange happens in Revelation 22:6

Rev 19:10 – I fell at his feet to worship him – Probably the angel of Revelation 17:1

Rev 19:10 – Worship God – (John 4:23-24)

Rev 19:10 – Testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy – John 5:39-47

Rev 19:10 – Twice John falls down in worship of an angel (Rev 19:10, 22:6-9)

Rev 19:10 – Flesh is not suited for the heavenly (1 Corinthians 15:50-53)

Rev 19:11 – He who sat on him was called

- Faithful – (Rev 1:5)
- True – (Rev 3:7)

Rev 19:11 – Now wickedness of the last 7 years makes more sense – (Rev 6:2)

- Jesus said – (Matthew 24:11, 24-25, 27)
- Isaiah prophesied – (Isaiah 63:1)

Questions:

* What is the differences between the white horse and rider in Rev 6:2 and this white horse in Rev 19:11?

* What would you say to a family member or friend who asks how they can be invited to the marriage supper of the Lord?

Additional Study:

Rev 19:7

* Wife (*gune*) – wife/woman – used 221 times 79 times means wife – bride (*numphos*) – used 8 times, 5 times in Revelation

* Made herself ready (*hetoimazo*)

Rev 19:8

* And to her it was granted – given (*didomi*) – this is the grace of God

* To be arrayed (*periballo*) – adorned for an outward appearance of beauty

Rev 19:8

* Fine linen

- Clean (*katharos*)

- Bright (*lampros*) – bright shining radiant

Rev 19:10

* I fell at his feet to worship (*proskuneo*) him

* Calls himself a fellow servant (*sundoulos*) bond-servant

* Worship (*proskuneo*) God

* The testimony (*marturia*) witness, about Jesus