

Grace Group Discussion Guide

The Marriage of Christ and His Church

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Revelation 19:7-9

Synopsis:

4 Thoughts About the Marriage of Christ and His Church

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| 1. The Wedding | 3. The Bride |
| 2. The Bridegroom | 4. The Guests |

Questions:

Warm Up:

1. What is one way that the sermon encouraged, exhorted, challenged, or corrected you?
2. What does it mean for Christ to be the “sum and substance of Heaven?”

Discussion:

1. Who is the bridegroom? Who is the bride? Who are the guests?
2. What is Christ’s goal for believers in eternity? How are the members of the Trinity involved in this even now?
3. How did Dr. Beeke describe the union of the bridegroom and the bride?

Application:

1. In what ways is it encouraging that the eyes of the redeemed will never be taken off of Christ in eternity?
2. What does it mean to live as those betrothed to Christ? How might that look for you this week?
3. In what ways are you tempted to pursue the things of this world (“eating the pig’s food of this world”) instead of preparing for glory?
4. Discuss the implications of “throwing yourself as a hell-worthy sinner at the feet of His mercy.”

Prayer Suggestion: This week, pray that your gaze would ever be fixed upon Christ now as in eternity.

Missions Prayer Requests

This month, we are praising God for the return of our short-term mission trips to Mexico and Albania! Team Mexico served alongside Hector and Indira Ortega in their work in El Fuerte at a pastors conference. Team Albania served Cory and Kristine Cramer and their church in Pogradec as they hosted a marriage conference through marriage counseling and a childcare program.

Please pray for the work of both the Ortega Family and the Cramer Family.

1. For God to keep them safe as they labor for gospel growth.
2. For the message of the cross to be accepted by those in Sinaloa, Mexico and Pogradec, Albania.

3. For believers in the churches to stand strong against persecution in varying forms.