

Galilean Wedding – 4
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Well praise the Lord, we've come to the point of I guess the conclusion as we'd say of the Galilean wedding. Praise His name. And I'm so thankful. I'm hoping that we're about ready for the conclusion of the Galilean wedding, amen? But we left off with the Groom being sent by the Father, as we know no man knows that hour but the Father, that's it, He's got it. The Father deems that it's already; everything's ready, He's got it. His Son has prepared the place and His wife hath made herself ready. And the Groom has gathered His friends; isn't that something? And He grabs that trumpet, the shofar, and He's ready to sound it. And I love as it says to us in First Thessalonians Chapter Four, and verse sixteen, it says for the Lord Himself shall descend; isn't that beautiful? He's not sending somebody, He's coming, He's going to descend hallelujah. 01:15

And I'll tell you what, this is something that's been pent up in Him since ages past. I shout, oh my. The voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God, and the dead in Christ shall rise first, then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds; there's them friends to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we ever be with the Lord. We hear throughout the word of God speaking of that cloud, or cloud of witnesses, those full overs in the Old Testament we're so thankful to the Lord. And when it says that He's going to meet us in the clouds in the air I'll tell you what we know that He's not referring to the clouds we see. We're going to a place I'll tell you what, nobody else is going to see. And I'm so thankful where that meeting is, and how soon it is praise be to God. 02:24

But I want to talk a little bit more about those blasts of the shofar, that trumpet. And as we know in the word of God, and we see throughout Revelation there's many trumpet blasts throughout Revelation, so beautiful, and they all have great meaning and purpose, but even in the Galilean wedding there were many trumpet blasts, but there were three main ones, three main blasts. And how sweet you think about the three main blasts because the three main blasts what they were doing is they're calling to different companies you see, and it just mesmerizes me the love of Christ, and His passion to us. But you think about these three main blasts of this trumpet that this Bridegroom blasts with this horn when He is sent by His Father to retrieve His wife, and she's, His wife. It happened a long time back, they signed that agreement, and now He's come to get her. 03:27

And so those three main blasts, it's so perfect because it takes those three companies to complete the church. And those blasts are all at different times just like those companies are called and brought into heaven at different times; the bride, the innumerable multitude, and the hundred and forty-four thousand, and that completes the church. The first blast; oh, that's the blast we're listening for aren't we, amen? That blast

was one long note, it was just one long beautiful note, and it was known as the Tekiah which is called, or means the coronation, or the crowning. Now, think of that, that first blast is the crowning blast, it's the coronation blast. Praise God, the crowning of His wife, and the crowning for Him. As Paul said, the crown that He spoke of, not unto Him only, but unto them also that love His appearing. That's that crowning. 04:39

Now this is the blast that the bride is longing to hear, this is the blast that is the crowning coronation, and by the grace of God you will hear that if you're listening for it. See, what you're listening for as a Cristian is what you'll hear. You're not going to hear something that you don't have an ear for. He that hath an ear, let him hear. And there's an in-tune ear to that church of Smyrna, and the church of Philadelphia. They have an ear that is keen to hear that first trumpet blast; the crowning blast, amen? Isn't that the blast you're waiting to hear? I'm not, I'm not waiting to hear from a palm waver blast, and I will certainly not be in the hundred and forty-four thousand blasts; how's that? But I'm listening by the grace of God for that crown, hallelujah. 05:37

So, that's the first one, one long sustained note. Then, the second blast is known as the Shevarim. It was a blast that really was three medium pressured notes, medium pressured notes. The sound of those notes in that blast were like weeping. Now I want you to think about this as we're going through this. Why in the world would these kinds of sounds as we go through this be part of any wedding? Because this is part of the only wedding that matters, and this, the wedding of the Lamb and His wife. This is for the feast, this is for that gathering, but why I say God loves us so much He's going to show us that even woven within, these are God's chosen people and their customs we're going to see His love to us. But that second blast was three fractured notes, and it was the sound of weeping. And you think how perfect that is because that perfectly describes the innumerable multitude that's taken up into heaven. It says they are taken up and when they are before the Lord, that they have to wipe a tear from their eye. 06:58

There's not a lot of coronations in the crown is there? Let's go and let's read that here. Revelation Chapter Seven. So, I'll get to that in a minute, it's hard to just kind of run away like a horse here tonight. Getting a little excited about this you know? But in Revelation Seven, and this is the second company that we see taken up after the bride there in Revelation Chapter Four. It says there in verse nine, after this I beheld and lo, a great multitude which no man could number of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues stood before the throne, and before the Lamb of God clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands. See, if you're going to get a coronation crown, you sure wouldn't receive a palm and be standing in front of something. You'd be right up there to receive your crown and placed right upon your head right in the midst of the activity praise God. We'll get to that in a minute. 07:57

But look at this what it says there in verse fourteen, and it says now sir. He said I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest, and he said to me these are they which came of great tribulation and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Therefore, they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in the temple, and He that sitteth upon the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, they shall neither thirst no more, neither shall the sun light upon them, nor the heat. For the Lamb of God which is in the midst of the throne; see, the Lamb of God is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead unto living fountains of water, and God shall wipe away all tears from their eye.

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So, when you go to a coronation and a crowning, you're not going to be kind. There's not going to be that sadness in that regard, but God forbid there would be a sadness in our hearts to know we missed what God had intended for us always to have. But that's the second company, and finally we get to that third blast. So, you see the blast for the bride, we see the blast for the innumerable multitude, and now this third blast is the Teruah, and it's a series of staccato blasts, it's like an urgent alarm to wake out of slumber. And you think about that, if that isn't that final company, the hundred and forty-four thousand I don't know what is. I mean that hundred and forty-four thousand I'm going to tell you what, Satan himself is going to pursue them into the wilderness to destroy them, and God so divinely at that last minute and they'll be singing up there it says on Mount Zion. Isn't that marvelous how God does that? Well, that devil I'll tell you, he's after it but he's just chasing his tail.

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So, what we have there now is all the wedding guests, the bride and the wedding guest have all been assembled; you have them all, alright? So, the entire wedding party is there; you've got the bride, you've got the groom, you got the friends, you got the guests. Now let's talk for a moment about that moment the bride is captured away by the bridegroom. And I love that captured, seized, taken it's wonderful, that wonderful wife. And so tonight we're going to be at the conclusion of this, the consummation, and the wedding feast. Once that wife was brought, once the eyes of the bride and the bridegroom meet, the father would be right there standing with the marriage covenant contract in his hands. Isn't that something? I love that, I love to see and experience the love and the favor of my life to my father. Not only as a son, but as a double portion a daughter-in-law. Do you understand that? I thank God, I pray we can get there by faith, that's the word of God.

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But what faithfulness we see of the word of God standing there with that contract, the contract that He performed the good work which He begun in you? That contract of grace and mercy, that contract praise God of Paul's gospel? Oh, my goodness. And how marvelous that He loves us like that, the goodly pearl that's been redeemed, and here she is in His arms; she is the true worshipper that the Father sought to worship His Son in Spirit and in truth. The crown in hers, and Jesus won. By the grace of God, it's sure going to be good to be there with you. I tell some, it's okay if you elbow me and say I told you so; I told you so, I told you so, I told you so. You don't think He's got a sense of humor like that you're wrong because He puts that joy in our heart. But you see, the bridegroom then would walk his bride, so once that would happen and there they go, and they're in

front of a father he would take that bride and he would take her over to a certain type of chair and he would allow her to sit down. Isn't that something? 12:43

During that wedding after their eyes met, I should say the capturing away, but this is going towards the wedding feast their eyes would meet, the father would be there, and after that, and I think that's such a precious thing. Because you know, it's the father even making known to all that this is the love of my son's life. I experience something like that when I got to do the wedding for my son. Standing there with him, I couldn't tell you the joy that flooded my heart for my daughter. Yeah, she became daughter today and as she married my son. To think somebody loved him like that, that gave me more joy than I ever could ever express. It's all you want is for someone that you love like I love my son to be loved, and to be loved in a first love. And what a type and a shadow that is to our hearts in whether rejoicing, and that can't even compare with what the father is experiencing right now as we talk about his Son, and the love of His Son. 13:53

But see, once that would happen the bridegroom then would walk the bride over and there would be a certain type of chair that we'll will get to in a minute. And he would allow her to sit in it, and have her to sit in it, and we know what type of chair that is actually right here in Revelation Chapter Four, verse six. It's in the midst of the throne chair just like remember as it said about those in the innumerable multitude that they were standing before the Lord and He was in the midst of that throne? Isn't that marvelous? So, we know that this is the chair that's in the midst of the throne, it's not round about the throne, but her seat is His. It's one with him, it's jointly ruling and reigning and glorified together with Him. Revelation 4:6. And before the throne there was set a sea of glass like unto crystal, and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. We thank God as we read through this, and if this is something that someone might be hearing for the first time, this company of these four beasts we understand, they're redeemed out of every kindred, nation, and tongue. And we know that this is the first company that is taken into heaven is as far as at this time of the first trumpet. 15:23

In chapter four we read that John it said, he heard this voice, he heard the voice of the trumpet, and he looks and behold a door is opened; isn't that beautiful, and this is that precious encouragement to us of that invitation of the bride into her seat that is in the midst of the throne with Him. So, she sits there, and she sits there as the friends of the bridegroom give praise that he has His glory. That's what they would do. Those friends would be right there with Him as He would gather His wife to Him. He would bring her to that chair and sit down, have her sit down, and he would stand there with her as she would sit. And all of the Bridegroom's friends would rejoice and rejoice that their friend has His glory. 16:28

Remember how we read last week about the friends of the Bridegroom? What are they doing? They're waiting and listening for His voice. This is what they want to hear. See, this is what completes the word of God. This is what Paul spoke of in Colossians

Chapter One. That this wonderful truth, this mystery of the bride in Jesus Christ fulfils and completes the gospel. You don't think that His friends are going to be excited beyond any excitement they've ever known to watch Him receive His glory? You know it. Now, what a joy here that's flooding the hearts of His friends, and she gives Him that glory doesn't she? See, Revelation Chapter Four, verse eleven? What is the response of the twenty-four elders as they fall down before that midst of the throne and cast off their crowns at this event? They say Thou art worthy O Lord to receive glory, and honor, and power, for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure. Isn't that beautiful pleasure? And that pleasure refers to the cherubim. Even the word, the meaning of it; all things for Thy pleasure they are and were created. 18:01

That word created means the intimate fellowship after His likeness. Isn't that gorgeous? That's exactly what that means, intimate fellowship after His likeness. We're on a glory plan changing from glory to glory into His image. That intimate fellowship praise be to God after His likeness. How glorious. This is why they stand there, this is why they say right there, Thou art worthy O Lord to receive glory and honor. She descends from heaven having the glory of God, amen? You believe in the glory that shall be revealed in you? I believe we would be sitting here that long if we didn't praise His name. But now as she sits in that chair, here it even gets better. As she sits in that chair, she is lifted up just like that ark. You remember that was lifted up by the elders? Do you remember that little study we did just a few weeks back; that tabernacle of David in First Chronicles Chapter Fifteen, verse twenty-five? This is right before David just loses himself, throws his clothes and dances before the ark. I'm telling you; they got to come off. But in verse twenty-five it says so David and the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the house of Obededom with joy. See, there's that just that joy, that rejoicing, that fellowship of again the ones that have taken their place in that full overcoming state; they're rejoicing. Praise God, His friends that He's receiving His glory 20:05

And they brought that ark into the king, and the bride in the Galilean wedding is lifted up in the same manner; it's called a litter. It's amazing but this is God we're talking about. That chair that she sits in where the groom would bring her in was actually on a platform that would have staves, and she would sit in it, and the friends of the bridegroom would get around that, pick it up, and get under it and bring her in. So, they would lift her up just like the priest did with the ark. And the crowning upon the ark praise God is that lid, and we know what is coming out of that lid is the cherubim that stare right back and give all the glory to the mercy seat praise His name. 21:06

And what was so beautiful is wonderful seat in this litter is what they call it, it would take them literally months, and even years to build. It was made out of beaten gold; beaten gold, and they would place a crown upon the head of the bride as she would be carried in. That is, you know not only can you see them carrying in the tabernacle, can you see them carrying in you and there you go? And the tradition, get this, the tradition of carrying in the bride is referred to as flying the bride home, flying her home. It's just too perfect.

You understand, man can't even conjure this stuff up. This is the word of God, that's the beauty about the word of God; it's so perfect, it's so infallible there isn't anything like it. There isn't. It's just perfect in everyone. Never contradicts, it only substantiates itself, it's only more line upon line, and precept upon precept. Thank God, thank God, I appreciate Him so much. He gives grace for grace all the time. We know this wonderful message, we know this precious truth. But how divine it is to look into these love letters, and He continues to expand upon the light upon light within them. 22:55

The truth never changes, but I'll tell you what the immensity of a heart sure can. So, she's carried in, but the feast still does not begin yet because there's one thing left that they must do, and that's consummate the marriage. Before that feast is going to happen, praise the Lord they're going to consummate that marriage. Traditionally the bride and the groom would be locked into a room as the friends stood outside the door. The two would consummate the marriage. I've been so thankful, many years ago the Lord encouraging my heart to truly see Revelation Chapter Eight, verse one. It says and when he had opened the seventh seal there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour. And that thirty minutes somewhere between thirty and an hour depending on I guess maybe which family it is, that's traditionally how much time they allow for that to happen before they get in the feast. They get them in there to get that done. 23:59

I don't think you have to tell them that. I think this is true love, I think it's going to be, but that was the time allowed. See, they would walk into their bedroom chamber together and be given that privacy; given that privacy, and you know you got Revelation. There's so many things about the word of God that causes you to just stop. You know it's just like you're going along in Genesis and all that, and then you get Genesis Twenty-four just of nowhere. What has that to do with. Oh my, and then you get books like the Song Of Solomon, they just come out of nowhere and they stop everything. And man tries to explain what it is but you know that's got no explanation. You're just lost trying to explain it that way. The only way those things are explained are through Paul's gospel, and it's the truth, understanding the marriage of the Lamb, understanding that bridal calling. 24:59

All of these things that kind of come out of nowhere and stop everything. That's God. And it's just like what Revelation 8:1 What in the world just happened? We're having all these events pouring forth and you know with the tribulation is started, and there's been some great incredible stuff. Prophecy that's already come forth, and wait, we're going to stop. Silence, and I've heard nothing but praising, and shouting, and hollering, and all of that in heaven ever since the first seven chapters. Shh-h-h, for half an hour; it's so God. It's so Jesus in His heart, His romantic, beautiful heart for us. And to see this so vividly again in His chosen people. And it's right there for them, isn't that amazing? And it says, I was visiting with Sister Tammy thinking about, you know, all of the feasts that they still go to every year. The Passover and all these different ones. Every single detail about it. That was the word, and what the word Jesus Christ would fulfil, and yet it's just right there plain as day. This is My beloved Son in Whom I'm well pleased, and yet they

have eyes, and they see not? And here's where they hear about it. And here even this bridal message it shows you that He's no respecter of persons. He even puts that right there; how can we not see it? But by the grace of God the only way you're going to see it. 26:58

So, here is this wonderful evidence of what the Lord has for us, and it's that silence they walk in there together. Think about Genesis Twenty-four, go to verse sixty-seven. This is such a beautiful little moment of this story, and how Rebekah is brought to Isaac, and all of that marvelous encouragement by the servant, the Holy Ghost ministering to her about her bridegroom. Matter of fact her husband. And there she is in verse sixty-seven. And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent and took Rebekah, and she became his wife, and he loved her, and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death. When she lights off that camel and they see one another and they embrace we know a feast is waiting, we know that feast is going to be there. It was the same feast even for Jacob with Leah. There's seven years He worked for her, and then there was that feast; there is that rejoicing time even though he found out he didn't get the one he wanted, but then he had to go prepare for seven more years again for the one he wanted. 28:23

See, he was given to her, betrothed in marriage but there was seven years. After that seven years there would be that consummation, and there would be that feast. So, here what we have which is so beautiful that Isaac brings Rebekah where? Not to the father's house, not to his house, but to his mother's camp. That's that place where the consummation happened; that's grace, it's just this divine incredible grace. That's the beauty of this is that again the Lord's speaking to us. Honey, it is real. You're my love, you're my love, my fair one, you're my dove; it's so beautiful how His heart is for us. So, she's taken into that place, that consummation praise God goes on. After that time alone the bride and the groom they would lead all the friends and the guests to the house for the feast. 29:28

Now here, get this, once all the guests were in the door of the wedding feast the door would be shut. This was tradition. Any late commers they would literally be shut out, you could not get back in, and I think of how sweetly this is like Revelation Fourteen. That wonderful hundred and forty-four thousand, that final company they're taken up, they're raptured, and the entire church is now and ready attendants to the feast. And as the word of God says, those five foolish virgins there in Matthew Twenty-five they got shut out. Yeah, they did, and the guests would meet, and they would greet and once that consummation was complete, oh my. And that consummation being complete, and I will tell you this, what it would represent is that this was a virgin that He received. You think about what the Lord calls His wife; she's a chaste virgin to Him without spot or wrinkle. And I want to just take a moment to think about, what are the qualifications. We can go into many things, but really what are the qualifications that Paul speaks of, of a chaste virgin? That one that is without spot or wrinkle. 30:58

Let's go on over to Second Timothy and in chapter Four and let's read what the Lord encourages our hearts in of that one that's without spot or wrinkle. Here's the qualifications in chapter four, and let's go ahead and read verses seven and eight the qualifications I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith, praise God; praise God. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing. It's all about by the grace of God about that faith in His love. Every bit of that whether it was the good fight, we know it's of faith. I finished my course; we know that's a course of faith; faith in the truth, and we'll prove that here in just a second. And finally, I kept the faith. It's just what my whole life is, it's everything about every fiber of my being by the grace of God is winning Him. Believing in that grace praise God. Believing in that grace undeserved; the mercy completely opposite of what I deserve. But praise be to God I will be in that company of the bride for the Lamb.

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Go on over to Revelation Chapter Three speaking again of the qualities of that bride for the Lamb. Here they are in verse three. It says for thou hast a little strength; it's a little company, and why? Because thou hast kept My word, and hast not denied My name. And you go on down to verse ten again, because thou has kept the word of My patience, I will keep thee from the hour of temptation. It's all about faith in the word, it's all about the word of His patience, it's all about His name. I was thinking about how sister prayed, and how beautiful that is, He's preparing a people for His name's sake. This is one that's taken His name of Bridegroom, I was just speaking to a man that his daughter had just recently got married, and right before she was getting married, he asked me a question how I felt about, do you think it's imperative that she would take his name? I said, does she love him? Well, yeah. She should take his name. Now that might hurt somebody's feelings, but I'm not here for your feelings; I'm just giving you the word of God, and there's something about his name. And the name that this precious bride is speaking of is the name of bridegroom, the Lamb's wife. See, that's what's written over her right now. That's what we pursue by the grace of God.

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Is that wife ready for the Lamb believing completely in that grace, and that mercy? There's nothing in here about me earning it or working for it, or struggling, or I just survived through this. No, all of this was by faith, by faith, by faith, by faith, by faith, and every bit of faith is always going to be in one thing: His grace. And the only way that faith is going to work is it works by love, praise God? See, and that goes right back to the inspiration that when we don't feel we have the inspiration sometimes, you're looking to yourself. Let grace give you that inspiration, let that undeserved love, give you that. The assurance of the word of God, absolute assurance of the word of God, confidence in the word of God that He that has called me, He will perform the good work which He's begun in me. And brothers and sisters, every single life within the word of God, it didn't look that way. It didn't, even though I have a precious Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, if you look at it from the natural life, you would have thought it's complete, it's a disaster. Really, the King of kings, and Lord of lords coming as a baby born in a manger? The parent's that aren't

even wed? Come on, all of these different things, but why does it make sense to us? Because it's the word of God. 36:22

The word of God said it would be that way, and it's going to be that way, and it won't be any other way. That's your life too. That's your life too, it's not going to look like it, it doth yet appear what we shall be. If somehow somehow you think on the outside of your life, and how you live your life; oh, I look like the bride, I'll tell you right now you won't be in that company; you will not because you're looking too much at you. Just like in the Song Of Solomon, that precious woman, oh he's at the door for me. Well, let me just think about this, let me look at this, and he was gone. I pray by the grace of God, really let this make heart sense to us. Heart sense, really understand this. By the grace of God, you're called not because of you, but because the word of God. I'll have grace upon whom I'll have grace; I'll have mercy upon whom I'll have mercy. Once again just raise your hand and say thank You; thank You, that's the grace and mercy that causes love that brings love in lowliness, humbleness, humility, thankfulness, joy, love for one another. It isn't just again we just go out and sin willfully that grace may abound, that's a child that says that kind of stuff. But you know what love is, and you know what judgment is, and you know what spiritual is, and you know what condemning is, and it's the truth. 38:07

She's like Him, He came to save the lost, amen? He didn't choose the things that were esteemed of this world. He chose the things that were rejected like Him, amen? And I'll tell you; the last thing you got to overcome is you, and that's the truth. It's the truth from self-doubt to self-pity, self-confident, huh? All these different things, I just realized it's Christ in me, the hope of glory. I already put it there, honey, because of My blood. I set you up to win this thing, just believe Me; you're My workmanship. Isn't it wonderful? You finally just see it, the beauty, the simplicity that is in Christ. You're lovely altogether lovely. You must be just like Him. 39:25

So, as we close this out, when the procession returns to the groom's house to the feast, everyone in the procession enters the house. The door is closed, and get this, they close that door for seven days; Isn't that kind of interesting. You think about the seven-year tribulation? The door is closed, no one is allowed to go in, neither is anyone allowed to leave until the feast is concluded and really wow, that's not like the tribulation in many ways there when that church is gathered in. Nothing's going to enter in you see into heaven and all of that until Armageddon is complete and Satan's bound, and till He's put in the bottomless pit and we begin the millennial time, and I guess I'll just kind of end it with this. Revelation Twenty-one, and then you can go home and just say Oh Lord. Oh Lord, even so come quickly, amen? Then Revelation 21:23. See, because here is the bride and the groom by the way, right here, I love twenty-three. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon to shine in it for the glory of God; oh, the light of His life did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. Every bit of glory, and every bit of light that'll ever be in us is Him, isn't it praise God. That's Christ in us the hope of glory, and the nations of them which are saved. Look at that, shall walk in the light of it, and the

kings of the earth do bring their glory and their honor into it. Now it's open and the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day, and there shall be no night there. 41:17

And they shall bring the glory and honor of the nations into it, and there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defiles. Neither whatsoever worketh abomination or makes a lie the days which are written in the Lamb's book of life. I've enjoyed that praise God. I pray you have too, and wouldn't it be lovely if that shofar would be blasting tonight, amen? It's coming though. You know that? When you're in love there ain't nothing going to stop it. I'll tell you what, When He's in love, nothing's going to stop that. And I know it's near, the word of God tells us that, not because I know anything except in the word of God. But He said when you see these things come to pass you look up. I love how Brother John Hill said the qualification; love His appearing, love His appearing. Praise God, let's stand and be dismissed. 42:31