

The Wedding Garment



Jesus told this story:

A king planned a wedding. Many guests were invited to come, but they were not interested and would not come.

So, the king sent out servants to invite anyone they saw.

When the guests came to the door, they were given a wedding robe to put on.

The king gave them the robe because they did not have the right clothes for a his royal wedding.

The king walked around talking to the people. He came to a man who had on only his own clothes. He did not have on the wedding robe.

The king said: "How is it that you do not have on a wedding robe?"

The man did not have anything to say. What could he say? The robe was freely given. He had just ignored it. He thought he was okay with his own clothes.

The king did not allow him to come only in his own clothes. He had to have on the wedding robe.

The king took the man out of the place—and threw him into a place of outer darkness—where there is weeping and gnashing (grinding) of teeth.

In this story, Jesus was showing the people about himself—the King—and heaven.

The Bible tells of a "marriage supper of the Lamb". Jesus is the "lamb"—the "Lamb of God".

The wedding dinner is prepared for those who accept Jesus' invitation to come to heaven for the "marriage of the Lamb".



If we think that "our own clothes" are good enough to live in heaven with a holy, pure, God—then we do not understand the holiness of God.

We can never make ourselves "good enough".

We can never take away our own sin.

Our sin is disobedience against God's laws.

He is the only One who can forgive us—and make us "right" in His eyes. He is the One who paid the punishment for us.

The wedding is open to all. But the wedding robe must be accepted and put on. Those who do not have it—will not be allowed to stay in heaven.

They will be thrown into outer darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth—hell.

We may think we can cover ourselves in our own goodness—but the Bible tells us that is not true. *Revelation 22:1-15* *Revelation 7:9, 13, 14* *Revelation 19:7*

You are invited to the Wedding of the Lamb.

Will you be there?

In the Bible, Jesus is called the groom and his "bride" is the church—or group of people who are believers in Him—and have believed in Him as a Savior. They have come to Jesus to ask for forgiveness of sin. They have believed that Jesus took their "punishment of death for sin"—when He died on the cross.

Jesus never sinned. But because he loved the people he made—he chose to come as a human, and was blamed as a sinner, and was punished by death on a cross.

We are the ones who sinned. We are the ones who have a punishment of death over us. But Jesus took our place in paying for the death punishment.

Now, we do not have to pay our own punishment—Jesus has paid it for us.

We have to come to Jesus—when we ask for forgiveness—He gives us a "wedding garment (white robe) of righteousness. His robe of righteousness covers our sin.