

**A Devoted Bride****2 Corinthians 11:2-4**

How is our relationship with Christ described here? What was the aim of Paul's "godly jealousy"? What does this mean on a spiritual level?

**James 4:4-5**

In what sense could we be considered spiritual "adulteresses"? How does God view this?

**Homework:**

Find a copy of the vows you or a family member used at their marriage ceremony. What language was used to describe the commitment being made? How does this compare or contrast to the commitment we have made to Christ?

**A Holy Bride****Revelation 19:7-8**

What are some ways that brides normally prepare themselves for their wedding day in our culture? In this vision, how has Christ's bride made herself ready?

**Ephesians 5:25-27**

How does Christ want the church to be presented before Him? What has He done to make this possible?

### **A Submissive Bride**

#### **Ephesians 5:21-24**

What does it mean for us to be subject to Christ in all things? How does this apply in the context of marriage? (consider also **1 Cor 7:3-4, 32-35**)

### **An Eager Bride**

#### **Philippians 3:20; 2 Peter 3:11-12; 2 Timothy 4:8**

If we have been betrothed to Christ (**2 Cor 11:2**) and still await the consummation of our marriage (**Rev 19:7-8**) how should we feel about Christ's second coming?

If we are not eager for our "wedding day," what might this indicate about our relationship with the Lord?