

<sup>7</sup> Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready." <sup>8</sup> And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints." – Rev 19:7-8

- 1. Fine linen
- 2. Clean & Bright
- 3. Righteous Acts of the Saints



# What the Bible Says About Fine Linen?

## Linen was a symbol of purity and righteousness

Angelic beings appeared, wearing fine linen garments

- Ezekiel Chapters 9 and 10;
- Daniel Chapters 10 and 12; and
- Revelation Chapter 15

## The Blood of Yeshua Makes Us Right With

## Only the blood of Yeshua makes us pure and righteous

 "For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." – 2 Corinthians 5:21

## Yeshua will clothe the us (the Bride) with special wardrobe

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#### Revelation 15:5-8

<sup>5</sup> After these things I looked, and behold, the *temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened*. <sup>6</sup> And out of the temple came the seven angels having the seven plagues, clothed in *pure bright linen*, and having their *chests girded with golden bands*. <sup>7</sup> Then one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels *seven golden bowls* full of the *wrath of God* who lives forever and ever. <sup>8</sup> The temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God and from His power, and *no one was able to enter the temple* till the seven plagues of the seven angels were completed.

The Jewish Temple Worship during the times of the First and Second Temple Era

### Comparison Between the Old & New Covenant

Old Covenant: Israel is the Wife of Yahweh – became unfaithful

New Covenant: Church is the Bride of Yeshua – there will be a time of testing & refining

Israel agreed to God's proposal – Exodus 19:8, 24:3

- Moses performed the ritual described in Exodus 24
- Israel became God's wife Reading the Book of Covenant Exodus 24:7

One New Man – receives Yeshua as our Lord and Savior

- We entered into a New Covenant
- Betrothal to Yeshua as His Bride

## Analogy of a godly marriage

A marriage must have love – Deuteronomy 6:4-6 (love with all your heart, soul & Strength)

A marriage must have intimate communion

Become one flesh – Genesis 2:24

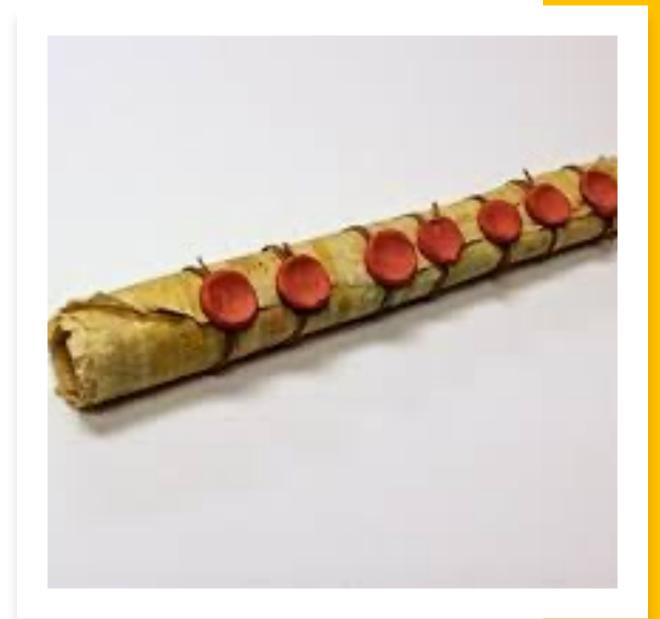
A marriage should have joy

The joy of loving and being loved

A marriage must have fidelity, loyalty and faithfulness – Exodus 20:3 "You shall have no other gods before Me."

### What Happens in Heaven at the Opening of the Seventh Seal?

- "When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them." - Rev 8:1-2
- The Ketubah (Marriage Covenant) is read
- Yeshua proclaims His Bride has fulfilled her role

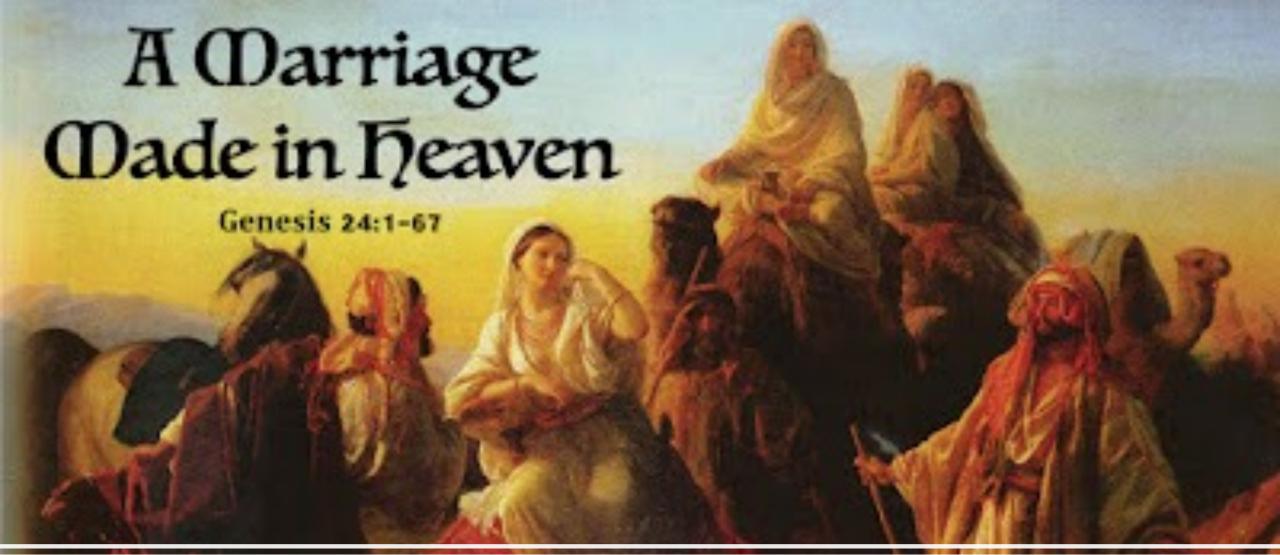




What It Takes to be the Bride of Yeshua

#### The Virtue of Rebecca – Genesis 24

- 1. A member of God's family Genesis 24:3-4
- 2. Trusting the Servant of Abraham Genesis 24:8
  - 3. A Caring nature Genesis 24:14
  - 4. Generous giver Genesis 24:19
- 5. Received the Gifts from Abraham Genesis 24:22,53
  - 6. Obedient to the Call Geneis 24:57-58



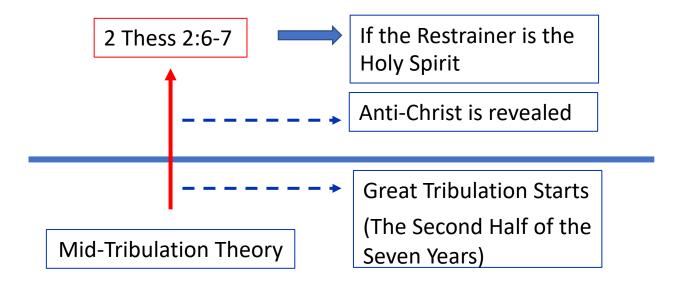
Story of Isaac, Rebecca and Eliezer – Gen 24
The Holy Spirit Brings the Bride to Yeshua

#### Is the "Restraining" the Holy Spirit?

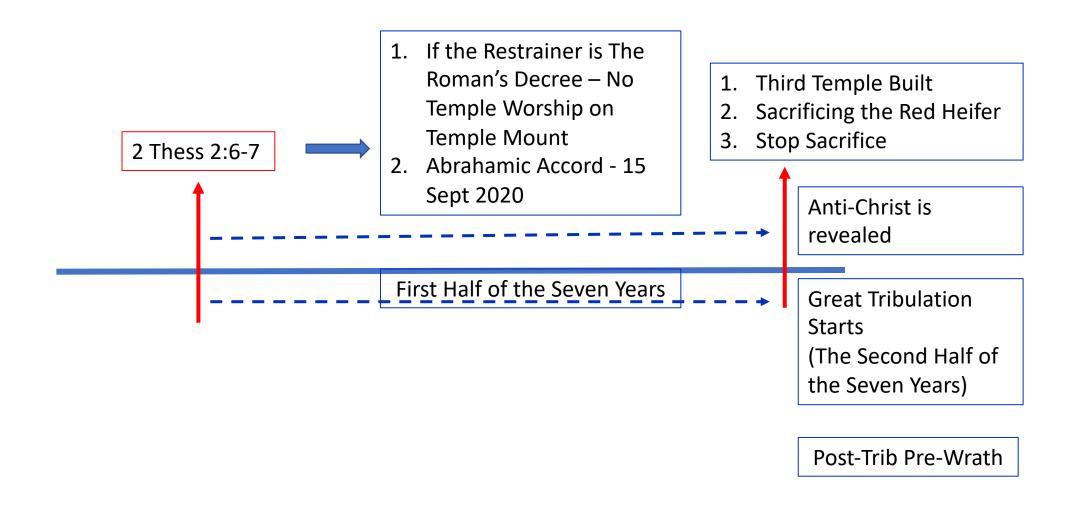
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- "<sup>5</sup> Don't you remember that when I was still with you, I used to tell you these things? <sup>6</sup> And now you know what is restraining, so that he may be revealed in his own time. <sup>7</sup> For already this separating from *Torah* is at work secretly, but it will be secretly only until he who is restraining is out of the way." 2 Thessalonians 2:5-7 (Complete Jewish Bible)

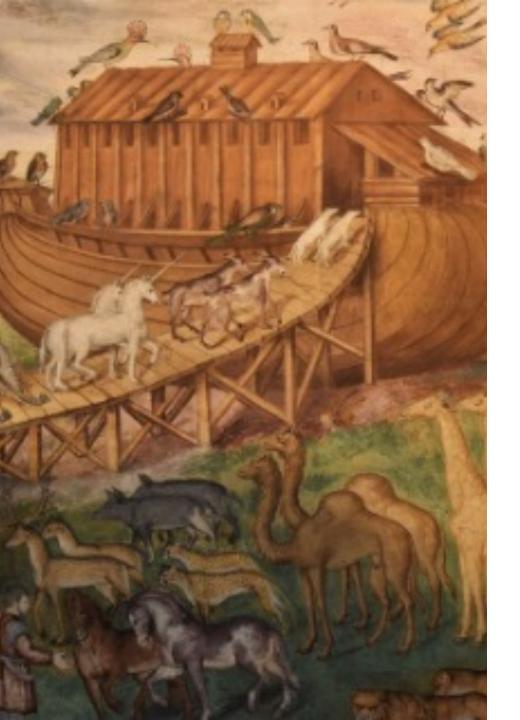
## The Holy Spirit will Return with the Bride

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#### Dating the Departure of the Holy Spirit





#### The Story of Noah

"13On the very same day Noah and Noah's sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them, entered the ark— 14 they and every beast after its kind, all cattle after their kind, every creeping thing that creeps on the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, every bird of every sort. <sup>15</sup> And they went into the ark to Noah, two by two, of all flesh in which is the breath of life. <sup>16</sup> So those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him; and the LORD shut him in." - Genesis 7:13-16

#### The Parable of the Wise and Foolish Virgins

25 "Then the *kingdom of heaven* shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup> Now five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish. <sup>3</sup> Those who *were* foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, <sup>4</sup> but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. <sup>5</sup> But while the bridegroom was delayed, *they all slumbered and slept*.

<sup>6</sup> "And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' <sup>7</sup> Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup> And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' <sup>9</sup> But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' <sup>10</sup> And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut.

<sup>11</sup> "Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' <sup>12</sup> But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.'

13 "Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming." – Matthew 25:1-13

## Who Are the Brides of Yeshua?

#### The Harvest of the Bride-The Church

"15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord." - 1Thessalonians 4:15-17

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- Those who are alive The Overcomers
- Protected Noah family the Ark
  - Israelites in Goshen
- The Wise Virgins
- Daniel 12:3 "Those who are wise shall shine Like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness Like the stars forever and ever.

- Those for are Dead (in-Christ) – including the Martyred Saints
- Rev 12:11 "11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death."
- The Foolish Virgins

#### Who are the Overcomers?

- Overcomers are the Body of Yeshua
  - Church is the Body of Yeshua Ephesians 5:23, Colossians 1:18, 24
  - Seven Lampstands (Menorah) are the Seven Churches Rev 1:20
  - Seven Lights in the Menorah are the Seven Spirit of the Lord Isaiah 11:2
  - Solely dependent on the Holy Spirit
- Mentioned by Yeshua in Rev 2 & 3 in the Letters to the Seven Churches
- Yeshua either commented or rebuked them for their actions
  - HE told five churches out of seven to repent
  - Yeshua provided guidelines to overcome

#### What & How Do We Overcome?

- Anything that might destroy your relationship with Yeshua
- Rev 12:11 <sup>11</sup> And they overcame him **by (1) the blood of the Lamb** and by the (2) **word of their testimony**, and they (3) **did not love their lives to the death.** 
  - Receives Yeshua as your personal saviour & His sacrifice
  - Testifies of HIS goodness in your life without compromise
    - Psalm 66:16 "Come and hear, all you who fear God, And I will declare what He has done for my soul."
    - Romans 10:9 "9 that if **you confess with your mouth** the **Lord Jesus** and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."
  - Willing to die for your faith