

## 6. Bridal Prayer (Widow Vs. Bride)

*Luke 18:2-3 AMP – He said, In a certain city there was a judge who neither revered and feared God nor respected or considered man. (3) And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, Protect and defend and give me justice against my adversary.*

*Esther 5:1-3 AMP – On the third day of the fast Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the royal or inner court of the king's palace opposite his throne room. The king was sitting on his throne, facing the main entrance of the palace. (2) And when the king saw Esther the queen standing in the court, she obtained favor in his sight, and he held out to her the golden scepter that was in his hand. So Esther drew near and touched the tip of the scepter. (3) Then the king said to her, What will you have, Queen Esther? What is your request? It shall be given you, even to the half of the kingdom.*

## CALL OF THE BRIDEGROOM

*Song of Songs 5:2 NIV – I slept but my heart was awake. Listen! My beloved is knocking: Open to me, my sister, my darling, my dove, my flawless one. My head is drenched with dew, my hair with the dampness of the night.”*

*Song of Songs 5:3-6 AMP – But weary from a day in the vineyards, I had already sought my rest I had put off my garment – how could I again put it on? I had washed my feet – how could I again soil them? (4) My beloved put in his hand by the hole of the door, and my heart was moved for him. (5) I rose up to open for my beloved, and my hands dripped with myrrh, and my fingers with liquid which he had left upon the handles of the bolt. (6) I opened for my beloved, but my beloved had turned away and withdrawn himself, and was gone! My soul went forth to him when he spoke, but it failed me and now he was gone! I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer.*

# THE BRIDE OF CHRIST UNVEILED

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### Introduction

*Isaiah 42:9 AMP – Behold, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them.*

*Matthew 13:52 AMP – He said to them, Therefore every teacher and interpreter of the Sacred Writings who has been instructed about and trained for the kingdom of heaven and has become a disciple is like a householder who brings forth out of his storehouse treasure that is new and treasure that is old, the fresh as well as the familiar.*

### PORTRAIT OF A BRIDE

*John 12:1-7a AMP – So six days before the Passover Feast, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, who had died and whom He had raised from the dead. (2) So they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those at the table with Him. (3) Mary took a pound of ointment of pure liquid nard (a rare perfume) that was very expensive, and she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped them with her hair. And the whole house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. (4) But Judas Iscariot, the one of His disciples who was about to betray Him, said, (5) Why was this perfume not sold for 300 denarii (a year's wages for an ordinary workman) and that money given to the poor (the destitute)? (6) Now he did not say this because he cared for the poor but because he was a thief; and having the bag (the money box, the purse of the Twelve), he took for himself what was put into it (pilfering the collections). (7a) But Jesus said, Let her alone.*

### 1. Bridal Price (Sacrifice)

-Mary gave all she had as a sign of her devotion and love

### 2. Bridal Passion (Praise/Worship)

-Extravagant worship came from her passion  
-From the intimacy of the secret chambers of her heart, out of the depths of love and magnificent devotion, an exalted, heavenly song flows.

*Jeremiah 31:4 AMP – Again I will build you and you will be built, O Virgin Israel (Bride)! You will again be adorned with your timbrels and go forth in the dancing of those who make merry.*

### 3. Bridal Perfume (Fragrance)

-Get so close to Jesus you smell like Him!

*II Corinthians 2:14-15a AMP –But thanks be to God, Who in Christ always leads us in triumph (as trophies of Christ's victory) and through us spreads and makes evident the fragrance of the knowledge of God everywhere. (15a) For we are the sweet fragrance of Christ unto God.*

### 4. Bridal Purification/Preparation

*Esther 2:12 AMP – Now when the turn of each maiden came to go in to the King Ahasuerus, after the regulations for the women had been carried out for twelve months- since this was the regular period for their beauty treatments, six months with oil of myrrh and six months with sweet spices and perfumes and the things for the purifying of the women.*

-Holiness not rules/regulations but relationship  
-Living in holiness-is satisfaction in God  
-Entranced with Jesus guards us from being entrapped by sin

*Psalms 16:11 AMP – You will show me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy, at Your right hand there are pleasures forevermore.*

*Hosea 2:14-16, 19-20 AMP – Behold, I will allure her and bring her into the wilderness, and I will speak tenderly and to her heart. (15) There I will give her her vineyards and make the Valley of Achor (troubling) to be for her a door of hope and expectation. And she shall sing there and respond as in the days of her youth and as at the time when she came up out of the land of Egypt. (16) And it shall be in that day, says the Lord, that you will call Me Ishi (my Husband), and you shall no more call Me Baali (my Master). (19) And I will betroth you to Me forever; yes, I will betroth you to Me in righteousness and justice, in steadfast love, and in mercy. (20) I will even betroth you to Me in stability and in faithfulness, and you shall know the Lord.*

### 5. Bridal Protection

*John 12:7 AMP – But Jesus said, Let her alone!!*

-Don't fix your eyes on what the enemy is doing, fix your eyes on the Lord and what He is doing.

*2 Kings 6:8-12 AMP – When the King of Syria was warring against Israel, after counseling with his servants, he said, In such and such a place shall be my camp. (9) Then the man of God sent to the king of Israel, saying, Beware that you pass not such a place, for the Syrians are coming down there... (11) Therefore the mind of the king of Syria was greatly troubled by this thing. He called his servants and said, Will you show me who of us is for the king of Israel? (12) One of his servants said, None, my lord O King; but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedchamber.”*

-As we come to the inner chambers He will reveal the plans of the enemy