

9-6-2026 Sunday Sermon Message
This Week's Meditation: Psalm 91:1-16
Main Text: 2 Corinthians 11:1-4
Scripture Title: **God Gave Us a Pure Virgin to Whom We Married to Christ**

The Apostle Paul testified that he was dedicating himself to Christ for making the church of the Gentiles His bride.

He confessed that he felt devout jealousy over the church of Gentiles, not his own Israelites, being ordained as Christ's bride, and asked for forgiveness for his lack of understanding.

When God chose Adam's helping spouse, He made him from a single rib taken from Adam's body, and the last Adam, Jesus Christ, as the bride, chose a church of Gentiles, not Jews.

After making Adam fall into a deep sleep, He Himself took out one of his ribs, brought Eve to Adam and made her his bride. Likewise, to make Christ's bride by making Christ deeply asleep in death for three nights and three days, and instead of his ribs, He made His own church Christ's bride.

God made the church a pure virgin and appointed her as Christ's bride, but He said to the Jews that they were virgins too. In the Song of Solomon's Song of Songs describes the woman of

Shulem as King Solomon's bride, speaking of her as a foreshadowing of Christ's future bride, and also called the Jews daughters of Jerusalem:

"Return, return, O Shulamite; return, return, that we may look upon thee. What will ye see in the Shulamite? As it were the company of two armies. I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake my love, till he please. " (Sol 6:13; 2:7)

When Jesus speaks about the ten virgins, he is not referring to the church where a single pure virgin became Christ's bride, but rather to the Jewish virgins who will come to welcome the bridegroom who will appear on earth to establish a kingdom on earth with the bride who was raptured, after the great tribulation:

"Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

² And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

³ They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

⁴ But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

⁵ While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

⁶ And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

⁷ Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

⁸ And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

⁹ But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

¹⁰ And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

¹¹ Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

¹² But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

¹³ Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

"(Matthew 25"1-13)

Here, heaven refers to the millennial kingdom that Christ will establish upon returning to earth, and the ten virgins are the Jews waiting to enter that kingdom. It is said that only the wise among them will enter that kingdom.

He refers to Christ's bride waiting for the rapture as a single pure virgin, but He refers to the Jews waiting for Christ's return as ten virgins.

The Apostle Paul gives a very important message to the brides of Christ who are waiting for the rapture:

"But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

⁴ For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him. "(2 Corinthians 11:3-4)

Just as the five virgins who did not prepare oil could not enter the gates of heaven, the bride belonging to God's church also did not receive the Holy Spirit, and those who received other spirits were not raptured and could become the remnant and enter the great tribulation.

Therefore, brides who await the glorious appearance of Christ must always be filled with the Holy Spirit so that Satan cannot test them, and prepare for the imminent day of rapture. Amen! Hallelujah!