***The Church Engaged with the Holy Spirit (Revelation 22:17) – Part 3***

**The Bridegroom Message**

Jesus is a king with power and a bridegroom with desire.

The bridegroom message is about Jesus’ beauty, His emotions for us, His commitments to us (to share His heart, home, throne, secrets, and beauty), and our response of wholehearted, obedient love (John 14:15).

The Spirit uses the message of the bridegroom God as He is establishing the first commandment as first place in the church. The scripture sets forth the Lord as a bridegroom king (Isaiah 54:4-12, 62:2-5; Jeremiah 2:2, 3:14, 31:32; Hosea 1:2, 2:7, 14-23, 3:1-5; Matthew 9:15, 22:1-14, 25:1-13; John 3:29;2 Corinthians 11:2; Ephesians 5:25-32; Revelation 19:7-9, 21:9, 22:17).

Note: We refuse all sensual overtones in proclaiming Jesus as our bridegroom God (Jesus is never to be seen as one’s “lover” or boyfriend).

God’s invitation is for us to experience the deep things of his heart (emotions, desire, affection, and throughs about us). Thus, to enjoy **intimacy** with Jesus includes understanding and feeling his heart.

“…For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the **deep things of God**.”  
1 Corinthians 2:10b NKJV

“Now we have received… the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. “  
1 Corinthains 2:12 NKJV

“You may be **able to comprehend**… the width and length and depth and height—**to know** the love *[affections or emotions]* of Christ.”  
Ephesians 3:18-19