

# ***Forerunners for Christ Los Angeles***

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## ***Jesus, a Bridegroom with a Burning Heart of Love (Part 6)***

### **The Nature of God: Love**

#### ***Jesus the Bridegroom: God of Desire and Relationship***

Jesus is revealed as our Bridegroom, the One who loves us and shares all with us. He is called our husband (Isa. 45:5; Hos. 2:16; Jer. 31:32); He called Himself the Bridegroom (Mt. 9:14).

The term Bride points to our calling to relate to Him in deep partnership (Rev. 19:7; 22:17). Our relationship is described as a betrothal and a marriage (Jer. 2:2; 3:14; Hos. 2:19-20; 2 Cor. 11:2), emphasizing a relationship between Jesus and His Bride that shares all in love.

We have a “one-flesh” relationship with Jesus, having significant implications (Eph. 5:30-32).

30We are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones...31Two [man and wife] shall become one flesh. 32This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. (Eph 5:27-32)

As a movement, God called us to emphasize Jesus’ love as the Bridegroom God (July 1988).

One reason that Jesus will be referred to as the Desire of All Nations (Hag. 2:7) is because He will reveal His desire for His people in a way that awakens desire for Him in all the nations.

I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations... (Hag. 2:7)

#### ***Prayer:***

*Father we are grateful for every instruction you give us through your word... every instruction is not only a warning but also a counsel. As you reveal your desire for your people... your people is braced up any shaking that will come now and the future...*