

**Lesson 16 – The Bridegroom
2 Corinthians 11:2**

2 Corinthians 11:2 “For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present *you as* a chaste virgin to Christ.”

Q1. We are engaged to _____ husband, _____.

John 3:28 “Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before him.”

Q2. John the Baptist is _____ the Christ.

John 3:29 “He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom’s voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.”

Q3. He that _____ the bride is the bridegroom, John the Baptist is the _____ of the bridegroom.

Q4. John the Baptist rejoiced greatly because he _____ the voice of the bridegroom.

Ephesians 5:24 “Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so *let* the wives *be* to their own husbands in every thing.

25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;”

Q5. Christ loved the _____ and _____ himself for it.

Ephesians 5:26 “That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:

30 For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.”

Q6. Marriage is a great mystery about _____ and the church.

Song of Solomon. 2:8 “The voice of my beloved! behold, he cometh leaping upon the mountains, skipping upon the hills.

9 My beloved is like a roe or a young hart: behold, he standeth behind our wall, he looketh forth at the windows, shewing himself through the lattice.

10 My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.”

Q7. The bridegroom wants his bride to rise ___ and come _____.

Song of Solomon. 2:11 “For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over *and* gone;

12 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing *of birds* is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;

13 The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines *with* the tender grape give a *good* smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.”

Q8. It is time for the wedding because the _____ tree is putting forth her green figs.

Matthew 24:32 “Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer *is* nigh:

33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, *even* at the doors.

34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.”

Q9. Someone in the _____ of 1948, the budding of the fig tree, will still be alive on the earth at the time of the wedding.