

# What the Lord Desires in His Bride

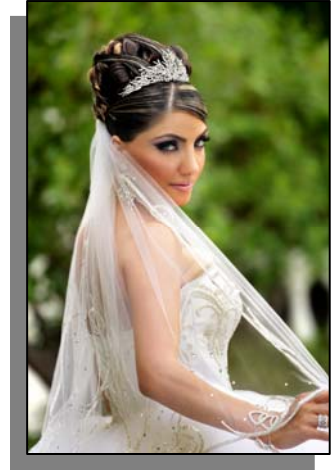
(Selected Scriptures)

## Introduction:

John the Baptist was the “best man” for the groom (Jesus Christ) *John 3:29*

Basic teachings of the metaphor – “The Bride of Christ”:

- 1) **Election:** The Father chose a Bride for His Son (Jn. 6:37, 39, 44, 65).
- 2) **Engagement:** The downpayment of the Holy Spirit (Eph. 1:13-14).
- 3) **Rapture:** The Son is coming back to receive only His Bride unto Himself (Mt. 25:1-13).
- 4) **Wedding:** Eternity with Christ (Rev. 19:7-9, 21:9).



- ***The Lord desires what every groom desires in his bride***

I. **The groom desires that his bride be a chaste virgin** (*Ephesians 5:25-27; 2 Corinthians 11:2*)  
(Our Lord desires our Purity)

II. **The groom desires that his bride’s heart is devoted to him** (*1 John 2:15*)  
(Our Lord desires our Love)

*Note: The Lord never  
divorces His bride  
(Hebrews 13:5)*

III. **The groom desires that his bride’s eyes are only for him** (*James 4:4; Hebrews 13:5*)  
(Our Lord desires our Contentment)

IV. **The groom desires that his bride cares about pleasing him**  
(Our Lord desires our Dedication) (*2 Corinthians 5:9; Colossians 1:16*)

