

Sermon Notes
I'LL BE BACK
“The Bridal Choice”
 March 13, 2022

1. The Bride was hidden (not revealed)

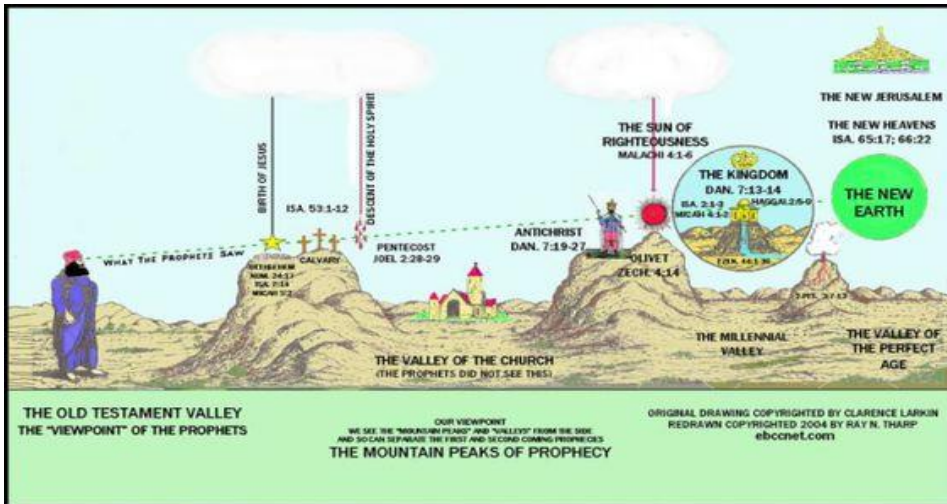
Ephesians 1:4 ⁴ For he chose us in him before the creation of the world.

Ephesians 3:2–6 (NIV)

² Surely you have heard about the administration of God’s grace that was given to me for you, ³ that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. ⁴ In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the **mystery of Christ**, ⁵ **which was not made known to people in other generations** as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God’s holy apostles and prophets.

⁶ **This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus. (also see: Col. 1:26: Romans 13)**

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Note: Satan didn’t see it either: Read 1 Corinthians 2:6-8

2. The Bride is from every nation, tribe, people, and language.

- **Revelation 7:9–10 (NIV)** After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, **from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.** They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb

3. The Bride is both Jews and Gentiles as one.

- **Ephesians 2:** ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made the **two groups one** and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵ by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself **one new humanity out of the two**, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.

4. The Bride is not male or female.

- **Galatians 3:27–29 (NIV)** ²⁷ for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, **nor is there male and female**, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.
- **Revelation 21:4 (NIV84)** ⁴ He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the **old order of things** has passed away.”