

THE BRIDE –THE BODY OF CHRIST

(Ephesians 2:6-7)

(Part 4)

And He (Jesus) raised us up together with Him and made us sit down together in the heavenly sphere in Christ Jesus (vv.6). The bride of Christ is His handiwork recreated in Christ for the purpose to accomplish the work God has predestined for her to do. The bride-the body of Christ is to walk in purity, clothed in His righteousness, but she is also to get her hands dirty in the physical world, by reaching out to those who are perishing in the filth of the world. The bride-the body of Christ is His feet, His heart, and His hand. With her feet she will go and with her hands she will do and with her heart she will love. It is love for God that compels the bride to do all that she is to do for Him. Rooted in that love in return to His love for her, obedience sprouts forth in action producing fruits for the glory of Her Savior, Jesus Christ. In the mystery revealed by Paul, the bride-the body of Christ is composed of people from every nation joined together in one Spirit, one faith, one Lord. In this unity, bonded by the glue of love, she stands as one in Him. And strengthened by His promises, and illuminated by His Word, faith leads her way. And in her position in the heavenly sphere in Christ, she waits, and will be ready for her calling to ascend to Him, when Jesus calls her with “a loud cry of summons, with the shout of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God” to be with her Lord forever and ever whether alive or dead. The bride- the body of Christ, in her obedience, she is blessed with the promise that Jesus will reveal Himself to her, she will be blessed with the presence of the Father, Son and of His Holy Spirit, and she will be lavished with the Love of God. In this communion, she is separated from the world unto Him to hear His voice, to express His glory and radiate His truth to the dark world. The bride-the body of Christ is not of this world; her earthly possessions are not her treasure, for her heart is in her spiritual heritage, heaven. She is heir with her Lord in His glory because she is also in His sufferings. With her will denied, and crucified, she proceeds carrying her cross to follow her Savior entering the narrow gate of total submission to His will. Peace and joy go before her with His righteousness guiding her to her final destination when she will meet her Lord face to face. Until then, my friend, His promise stands that He will be with her always. Are you His bride-His body and living to represent His character in faithfulness to His Word? Where are you, my friend?

Think about it!

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