

*The Invitation*

*Matthew 22:1-14*

Mr. and Mrs. David Miller  
and  
son of Mr. and Mrs. James Madsen  
request the honour of your presence  
at the marriage of

*Sondra Lynn*

and

*Mitchell James*

on Saturday, the twenty-first of May  
two thousand and twenty-two  
at two o'clock in the afternoon

*Yosanna Lutheran Church*

5892 Fourth Street

Ames, Iowa

# **Christ Is the Foundation of The Church**

**Matthew 16:15-18**

**15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?**

**16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.**

**17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.**

**18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.**

# The Church Is The Future Bride of Christ

## Ephesians 5:25-28

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

**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.**

# **There Is A Wedding In The Future**

## **Revelation 19:7-9**

**7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.**

**8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.**

**9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.**

## **Matthew 22:1-7**

**1 And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said,**

**2 The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,**

**3 And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.**

## **Matthew 22:1-7 - continued**

**4 Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage.**

**5 But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:**

## **Matthew 22:1-7 - continued**

**6 And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them.**

**7 But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.**

## **I. Two Invitations Given (vv 1-7)**

**A. You need another object lesson (vv 1-2)**

**B. The first invitation ignored (v 3)**

**C. The second invitation given (v 4)**

- 1. The patience of the king**
- 2. The preparation by the king**

**Matthew 20:16**

**But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.**

## **I. Two Invitations Given (vv 1-7)**

### **D. The rejection of the second invitation (v 5)**

- 1. A perspective of the history of Israel**
- 2. The reasons for the rejection (v 5)**
  - a. No spiritual discernment**
  - b. Idolatry**

## **I. Two Invitations Given (vv 1-7)**

### **E. The results of the rejecting the invitation (vv 6-7)**

- 1. The murder by the crowd (v 6)**
- 2. The judgment of the King (v 7)**

**Matthew 24:2**

**And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.**



## **Matthew 22:8-14**

**8 Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.**

**9 Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.**

**10 So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.**

## **Matthew 22:8-14 - continued**

**11 And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:**

**12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.**

## **Matthew 22:8-14 - continued**

**13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness, there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.**

**14 For many are called, but few are chosen.**

## **II. The Third Invitation of The King (vv 8-14)**

- A. The wedding will go on (v 8)**
- B. The final consequence of those that rejected the invite (v 8)**
- C. A general invitation (vv 9-10)**
  - 1. The new audience (v 9)**  
“as many as they found”
  - 2. Their condition**  
“good and bad”

## **II. The Third Invitation of The King (vv 8-14)**

### **D. The requirement for attendance (vv 11-12)**

#### **1. A wedding garment supplied by the King (v 11)**

**Guests were to come as they are**

#### **2. No admittance to the feast without the “gift” garment (v 12)**

**No excuse for not having a garment**

### **E. The result of not having a wedding garment (v 13)**

**Not in the wedding**

**Not in the kingdom of heaven**

**“In outer darkness”**

**Your Invitation To The Wedding Feast**

**Do You Hear The Call?**

**Are You Part Of The Few?**

**Revelation 22:17**

**And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him  
that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst  
come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of  
life freely.**

