

# Matthew 22

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## **The Parable of the Wedding Feast**

- <sup>1</sup> And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said,
- <sup>2</sup> The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son,
- <sup>3</sup> And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.
- <sup>4</sup> 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.
- <sup>5</sup> But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise:
- <sup>6</sup> And the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them.
- <sup>7</sup> But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city.
- <sup>8</sup> Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.
- <sup>9</sup> Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.
- <sup>10</sup> 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.

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.

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.

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### **Paying Taxes to Caesar**

15 Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk.

16 And they sent out unto him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men.

17 Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not?

18 But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites?

19 Shew me the tribute money. And they brought unto him a penny.

20 And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription?

21 They say unto him, Caesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.

22 When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

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### **The Sadducees Ask About the Resurrection**

23 The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him,

**24** Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

**25** Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:

**26** Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the seventh.

**27** And last of all the woman died also.

**28** Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her.

**29** Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.

**30** For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.

**31** But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying,

**32** I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.

**33** And when the multitude heard this, they were astonished at his doctrine.

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### **The Greatest Commandment**

**34** But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together.

**35** Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying,

**36** Master, which is the great commandment in the law?

**37** Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

**38** This is the first and great commandment.

**39** And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

**40** On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

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### Whose Son Is the Christ?

**41** While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,

**42** Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The Son of David.

**43** He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying,

**44** The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool?

**45** If David then call him Lord, how is he his son?

**46** And no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

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## HEBREW & GREEK WORD STUDIES

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### **Angel** — ἄγγελος (Angelos)

Angel, messenger

The Greek **angelos** (ἄγγελος) means angel or messenger. Angels announced Christ's birth (Luke 2:9-14), ministered to Him (Matthew 4:11), and will accompany His return (Matthew 25:31).

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### **Forgive** — ἀφίημι (Aphiemi)

To send away, forgive, release

The Greek **aphiemi** (ἀφίημι) means to send away or release—canceling a debt or dismissing an offense. Jesus taught us to pray 'forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors' (Matthew 6:12).

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**God — Θεός (Theos)**

God

The Greek **Theos** (Θεός) refers to deity, used both for the one true God and false gods. Context determines whether it denotes the Father specifically or the Godhead generally.

**Heaven — οὐρανός (Ouranos)**

Heaven, sky

The Greek **ouranos** (οὐρανός) denotes heaven—God's throne and the believer's eternal home. Jesus taught His disciples to pray 'Our Father which art in heaven' (Matthew 6:9) and promised to prepare a place there (John 14:2).

**Kingdom — βασιλεία (Basileia)**

Kingdom, reign

The Greek **basileia** (βασιλεία) means kingdom—both the realm ruled and the exercise of royal authority. The 'kingdom of God' is central to Jesus' teaching, representing God's saving rule breaking into history.

**Law — νόμος (Nomos)**

Law

The Greek **nomos** (νόμος) denotes law—particularly the Mosaic law. While believers are not under law but under grace (Romans 6:14), Christ fulfilled the law (Matthew 5:17) and wrote it on believers' hearts (Hebrews 8:10).

**Lord — Κύριος (Kurios)**

Lord, Master

The Greek **Kurios** (Κύριος) means 'lord' or 'master,' used both for human masters and divinely for God the Father and Jesus Christ. Its application to Jesus affirms His deity, as it translates YHWH in the Septuagint.

**Love — ἀγάπη (Agape)**

Divine love

The Greek **agape** (ἀγάπη) denotes self-sacrificial, unconditional love—the highest form of love, characterizing God's nature (1 John 4:8) and the love Christians are called to demonstrate.

**Prophet — προφήτης (Prophētēs)**

Prophet

The Greek **prophētēs** (προφήτης) denotes a prophet—one who speaks forth God's message. Jesus was recognized as 'a prophet mighty in deed and word' (Luke 24:19), fulfilling and surpassing the prophetic office.

**Resurrection — ἀνάστασις (Anastasis)**

Resurrection, rising

The Greek **anastasis** (ἀνάστασις) means resurrection—rising from death to life. Christ's resurrection is the 'firstfruits' (1 Corinthians 15:20), guaranteeing believers' future bodily resurrection and victory over death.

**Spirit — πνεῦμα (Pneuma)**

Spirit, wind, breath

The Greek **pneuma** (πνεῦμα) means spirit, wind, or breath—the immaterial aspect of persons. The Holy Spirit (Pneuma Hagion) is the third person of the Trinity, dwelling in believers.

**Truth — ἀλήθεια (Aletheia)**

Truth, reality

The Greek **aletheia** (ἀλήθεια) denotes truth or reality—that which corresponds to actuality. Jesus declared, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life' (John 14:6), embodying ultimate reality.

**Word** — λόγος (Logos)

Word, reason, message

The Greek **Logos** (Λόγος) means word, reason, or message—the rational principle underlying reality. John identifies Christ as the eternal Logos: 'In the beginning was the Word' (John 1:1).

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**CROSS REFERENCES**


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**Matthew 22:3**    **Parallel theme:** John 5:40; Romans 10:21; Revelation 22:17

**Matthew 22:4**    **Parallel theme:** Matthew 21:36; Acts 13:46

**Matthew 22:5**    **Parallel theme:** Hebrews 2:3

**Matthew 22:7**    **Kingdom:** Luke 19:27. **Parallel theme:** Luke 21:24

**Matthew 22:8**    **Parallel theme:** Acts 13:46; 2 Thessalonians 1:5; Revelation 3:4; 22:14

**Matthew 22:10**

**Parallel theme:** Matthew 25:10; 2 Corinthians 12:21; 1 John 2:19; Revelation 7:9

**Matthew 22:11**

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**Matthew 22:12**

**Parallel theme:** Matthew 5:20; 20:13; 26:50; 1 Samuel 2:9; Job 5:16; Psalms 107:42; Jeremiah 2:23; 2:26; 1 Corinthians 4:5; Titus 3:11

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**Matthew 22:15**    **Parallel theme:** Psalms 2:2

**Matthew 22:16**

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