



On the Wings of Prayer

"Because thou hast been my help,
therefore in the shadow of thy wings
will I rejoice:" Psalm 63:7

"Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife" Rev. 21:9

In Genesis 1, we read of God's creation of the world and all that is in it. Six times we read where God saw that his Creation was good. And the seventh time, after creating man and giving him dominion, we read that "God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was very good." In Chapter 2, we hear God tell of something that is not good. "It is not good that the man should be alone." A search is made through all of God's creation, "but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him." In all of God's very good creation, something was lacking, a companion for Adam. Then God made for Adam a bride.

In Revelation, we read of a different bride. It seems that in all of God's very good creation, there was not found a help meet for God's Son either. Just as the first Adam received a new creation of his bride, the second Adam will also receive a special bride. In fact, we read in Revelation 21 of "a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away." In 2 Peter 3:10 the Bible says, "The elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up." But from the first creation, one special and very important thing will be saved. Is this not the whole purpose for the first creation? The bride, the Lamb's wife.

That gives new meaning to Matthew 22:2, "The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son." It also gives new power to verse 9, "Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye find, bid to the marriage."

-John Peeples, IBFI Mission Director

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- **Daniel and Michelle Jones (Mexico/Rio Grande Valley)** The Fundamental Baptist Institute in Monterrey, Mexico, celebrated their 28th graduation with seven students graduating. The Jones' request prayer for their new work in the Rio Grande Valley, that it would grow spiritually and numerically.

- **Larry and Regina McKinney (N.A. Indians)** report the Lord has blessed the work with new families. Please remember a couple who recently came to Christ, Vern and Chelsea. The Lord saved them from an alcoholic background. They need to grow in the Lord.
- **True and Diana Hawkins (Brazil)** continue to have opportunities to reach more unreached interior villages. The churches continue to grow and bear fruit. They have several building projects they are involved with. They continue to translate Sunday School lessons for the village churches. The Hawkins' are preparing for an upcoming pastor's conference with eleven preachers as the special speakers. The Hawkins' are praying for 200 couples to be laborers in the fields of Brazil.
- **Leon and Becky Wambsganss (Accent Radio)** Please continue to pray for Bro. Leon. His recovery has been very slow. Please pray for Becky as she helps take care of him.
- **Ron and Kathy Valerio (Dominican Republic)** request prayer for Kathy's recovery after knee replacement surgery.
- **Mark and Tricia Haynes (Navajo Nation)** report having five baptized on one Sunday recently with four others planning to be baptized soon. The new property in Chambers, Arizona is being prepared for VBS and Bible studies this summer.
- **Harold and Lena Priday (Honduras)** request prayer for Lena as she recovers from a joint replacement surgery in her right hand.

“And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.”

~Acts 5:42