



Outline:

*Main point:* Endure now for the joy later.

1. The Bride
2. The City
3. The Glory.

Quotes:

Gen. 2:24

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Eph. 5:25

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her...

Eph. 5:27

So that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

“The whole terrifying conflict has been about the divine Husband’s jealous love for his bride, a love so jealous that he will fight all comers in order to have her all to himself, a love so sacrificial that he lays down his life to protect her from every threat and enemy.”

Dennis Johnson

The Triumph of the Lamb

“The glory of God is the way you designate the infinite beauty and the infinite greatness of the Person who was there before anything else was there...It is the all-defining, absolute original of worth and greatness and beauty. All created worth and greatness and beauty comes from it, and points to it, but does not adequately reproduce it... We were made to find our deepest pleasure in admiring what is infinitely admirable, that is, the glory of God...Human longing is the evidence that we were made for God’s glory.”

John Piper