

“The Three Suppers In The Book of Revelation”

Text: **Revelation 19:17-21**

Intro:

- One of the things Baptists enjoy most is church suppers.
 - We find it difficult to fast.
 - We find it difficult to witness.
 - We find it difficult to tithe.
 - We find it difficult to pray.
 - But how we love our belly ship.
- There are many suppers mentioned in the Word of God.
- For example:
 - **Mark 6:21**, King Herod made a **supper** to his lords on his birthday.
 - At this supper John the Baptist had his head chopped off as a reward for the ungodly dance of Herod’s step daughter, Herodias.
 - **Luke 14**, We are told a certain man made a great **supper** and bade many to come.
 - However, many of the invited guests made excuses and did not attend.
 - **John 12**, We are told that in the city of Bethany Jesus had **supper** with Lazarus and his sisters, Mary and Martha.
 - It was at this supper that Mary anointed the feet of Jesus with the costly ointment of spikenard.
 - Remember, the treasurer, Judas made a squawk about wasting the ointment because the money could have been used on the poor.

- Each of the Gospels given an account of the Passover **supper** or as it is traditionally known as the last supper that he has with his 12 Apostles.
 - It is at this supper that Jesus washes the feet of his disciples and the devil enters the heart of Judas to betray the Lord.
 - **1 Corinthians 11**, the Apostle Paul delivers to us that which he received from the Lord, the ordinance of the Lord's Supper.
 - The Lord's Supper is a memorial or a time of remembrance.
 - Each time the Christian partakes of the bread and cup, he is reminded of the awful price that his sin cost God's Son.
 - The unleaven bread reminds us that Christ's body was broken to pay for our sins.
 - The unfermented wine or grape juice reminds us that Christ's sinless blood was shed to pay for our sins.
- This morning I want us to look together at the **three suppers** mentioned in the Book of Revelation.

I. THE SUPPER OF SALVATION – REV. 3:20

- Every individual is given an invitation to sup with the Lord Jesus Christ.
- To partake of the **Supper of Salvation**.
- He invites all to:
 - “Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.” **Isaiah 1:18**.

- He invites all to:
 - **“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” Matthew 11:28.**
- He invites all to:
 - “...Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.” **Revelation 22:17**
- He promises:
 - **“...I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.” John 6:35**
- He promises:
 - **“...him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.” John 6:37**
- He not willing:
 - **“...that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.” 2 Peter 3:9.**
- I believe that door of each person’s heart that Jesus is standing outside of has a knob on only one side.
 - I believe the knob is on the inside.
 - Jesus cannot force his way into anyone’s heart.
 - A person must open the door to his heart voluntarily to Jesus.
 - If you never have my friend open the door of your heart to Jesus Christ and let Him come in and sup with you, fellowship with you.
 - Won’t you do it today.

- Won't you repent of your sins and call upon the name of the Lord Jesus Christ to save you from going to a sinner's hell.
- So, Number 1 we have **The Supper of Salvation in the Book of Revelation.**
- The Second Supper mentioned in Revelation is **The Supper of the Saints or the marriage supper of the Lamb.**
- My friend you cannot attend this supper unless you have already partaken of the First supper mentioned in Revelation.
- The Supper of Salvation where you let Jesus into your heart to sup with you.

II. THE SUPPER OF THE SAINTS OR THE MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB – REV. 19:6-9

- This will be the most thrilling experience that believers will ever have.
 - The church that is, the body of believers all the way from Pentecost (Acts 2) to the Rapture (1 Thess. 4) will be presented now to Christ as a bride for marriage.
 - The marriage takes places in heaven and after the Judgment Seat of Christ near the end of the Tribulation.
 - The “Bride of Christ” is now ready for the marriage.
 - To “be ready” she has to be without “spot or wrinkle”, a glorious Church according to Ephesians 5:27.
 - This is done by the purging and cleansing that will take place at the “Judgment Seat of Christ.”

- While the marriage takes place in heaven, the marriage supper itself will take place on earth at the second advent of Christ.
 - The Lord will return at the second advent not only to judge the earth but also to have the marriage supper with his bride.
 - Thus beginning his 1,000 year honeymoon with His bride.
 - Can you imagine a 1,000 year honeymoon and a supper that lasts 1,000 years– Amen!
 - The caterers of this supper will be heavenly. – Amen!
 - My friend what a time of joy and ecstasy!
 - To be finally married to the one that we have been espoused to as a chaste virgin.
 - To finally be forever with the one we have been waiting for. – Amen!
- But again my friend to partake of this Marriage Supper of Lamb you must be saved, born-again.
- You must have first partaken of the Supper of Salvation we talked about in Revelation 3:20
- Let's look at the last supper mentioned in the Book of Revelation.

III. THE SUPPER OF SUFFERING OR THE SUPPER OF THE GREAT GOD – REVELATION 19:17-21

- My friend the Lord Jesus Christ is about to return at any time for his bride.
 - The rapture of the church could happen at any time now and then the tribulation of seven years will begin.
- The Supper of the Great God will take place at the end of the Tribulation.

- Those invited to this supper are not individuals to sup with Christ and receive salvation.
 - Those invited to this supper are not the saved from the day of Pentecost to the Rapture.
 - No, those present at this supper are birds of the air – buzzards, vultures, ravens, eagles.
 - Birds we often see on the road eating the remains of road kill.
 - The food these birds are feasting on are the remains of Christ rejecting men.
 - Men who made up the Antichrist’s army and who fell at the Battle of Armageddon.
- Let those who think that a loving God would never bring judgment upon sinful man notice the scavengers of the air serving in the kingdom, while Christ rejecting men are dead.

Conclusion:

- My friend, there is a good chance that if you are not saved and go through the tribulation that you may end on the dinner table of these birds.
- Won’t you avoid be part of the **Supper of the Great God** and trust Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour.
- Repent of your sins and ask Jesus Christ to save you.
- As the Bible says, “Whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

- If you do that then you will miss this supper and partake of the **Supper of Salvation and the Supper of the Saints or the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.**
- Won't you come today and let Jesus Christ enter in through the door of your heart and sup with Him!