

Did You Get An Invitation?

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Revelation 4:1-11

If you are like me, you may get lost reading Revelation 19, as the voices go back and forth. Let's try to sort this out: verses 1 and 3, the angelic host—massed choirs; verse 4, the twenty-four elders and four living creatures; verse 5, a voice from the throne, possibly one of the four living creatures who is closest to the throne; verses 6-8, massed choir—possibly the church; and verse 9, the angel who dictates the invitation to the wedding supper of the Lamb.

When I was a graduate student at New York University I attended a church in Brooklyn where they had an odd custom related to wedding invitations. When the pastor read an open invitation to the congregation everyone was invited to the ceremony. But they had to sit in the balcony where they were able to see the wedding. However, they were not invited to the reception. Only those who had a personal invitation could sit on the main floor of the sanctuary, and only they were invited to attend the festivities of the evening.

Hallelujah, the wedding supper of the Lamb will be open to all true believers!

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