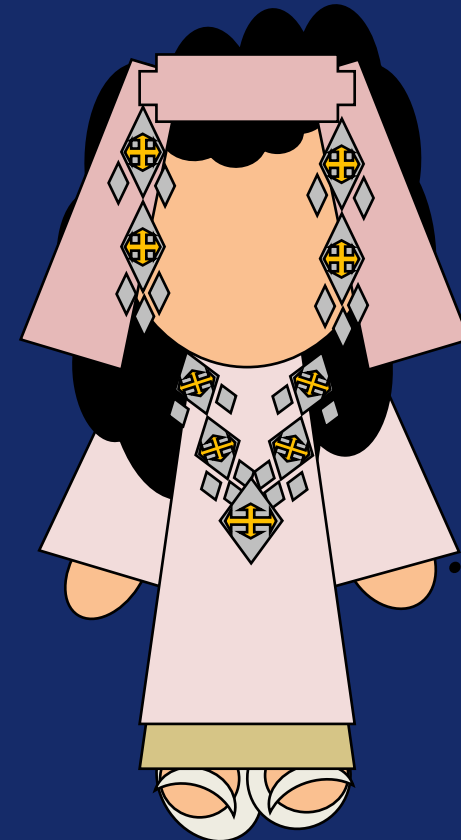
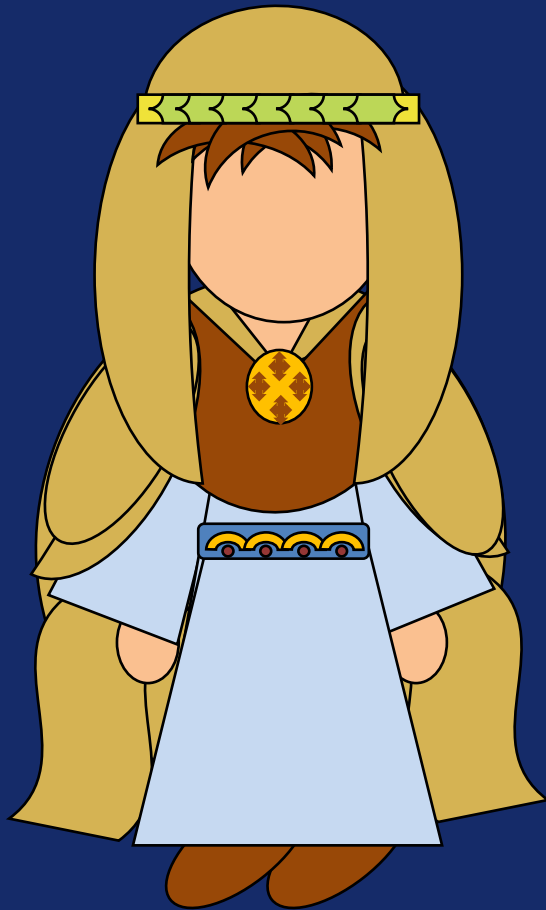


The Bridegroom Cometh

Parable of the 10 Virgins

Part 2



Anxiously Waiting---to hear the shouts of the wedding procession.

Father of bridegroom gives permission and the
“friend of the bridegroom” keeps her informed of progress.



2 Invitations

The First Invitation or calling of the wedding was sent out at the time of the betrothal

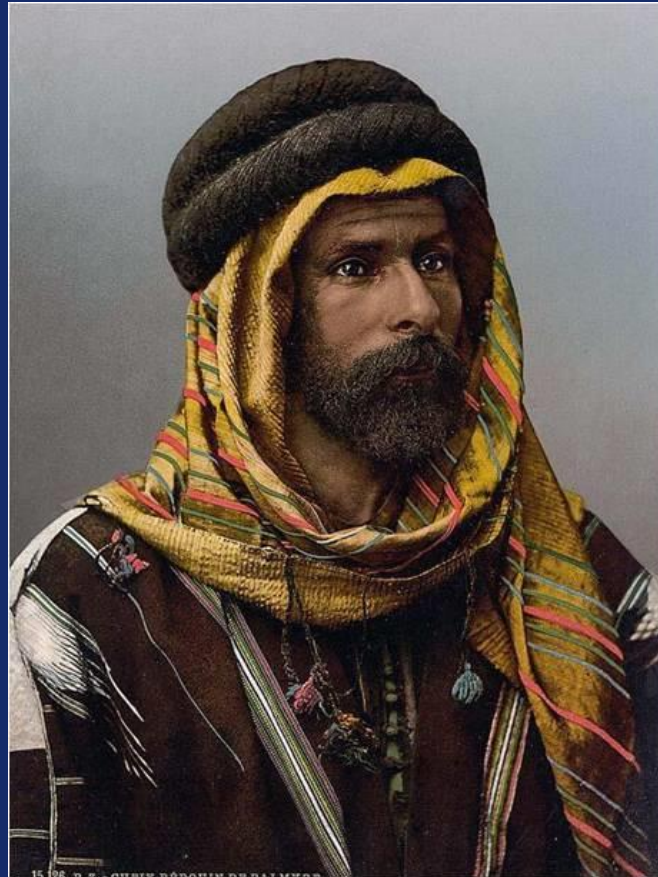


Establishing the “Call” to God’s Children

Jesus comes to earth to set up his kingdom.



*The Second announcement comes
when the Bridegroom comes.*



Hearing the "Call"



Showing that he had
been invited



Moving the Buckle

“No citizen of Jerusalem would attend a banquet without changing his buckle from (one shoulder to the other shoulder.)

For what reason?

So that another person should not extend to him an invitation that would be wasted.”



The Second Announcement came with the Restoration which is in effect today.



Bridegroom Dress

Richest garments.

Sometimes wearing a crown.

Even though the Bride would be beautifully adorned, the groom would be the center of attention.



Noisy Procession

Gathering people as they go

Blowing trumpets (shofars)

Most always in the middle of
the night waking everyone on
their way carrying torches to
light their way



Companions of the Savior are those with light who can see their way and are calling out to gather others to Come unto Christ.



Messenger

“The Bridegroom Cometh”



30 minutes final preparations for the Bride.

Then they would call out again:



“The Bridegroom cometh!”

Going to the Bride's home



Others shout followed by the groom

The Right Bride

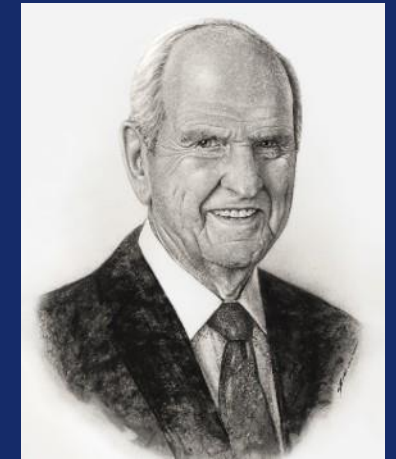
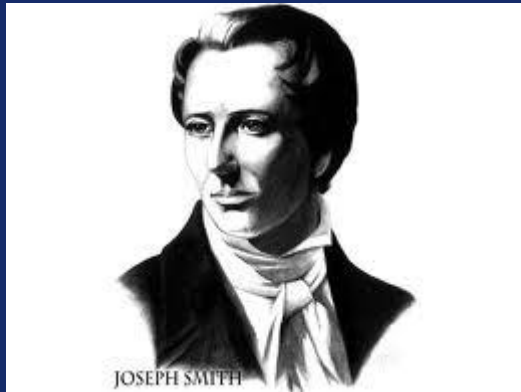
The bride's father would check to make sure this was the right young man and would let him take the bride.

The groom was able to check under the veil to make sure it was the right bride.

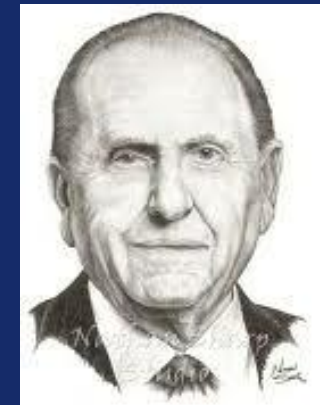
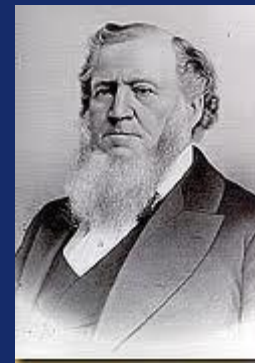
(mix up Jacob and Rachel)



A Prophet is the one who makes the
announcements for final preparations.



Read Family
Proclamation for our
final preparations.



One half hour of silence in the heavens
before the Savior comes. (Revelation 8:1)



The Lord will come again in a dark
“midnight” hour... (Matthew 24:22)

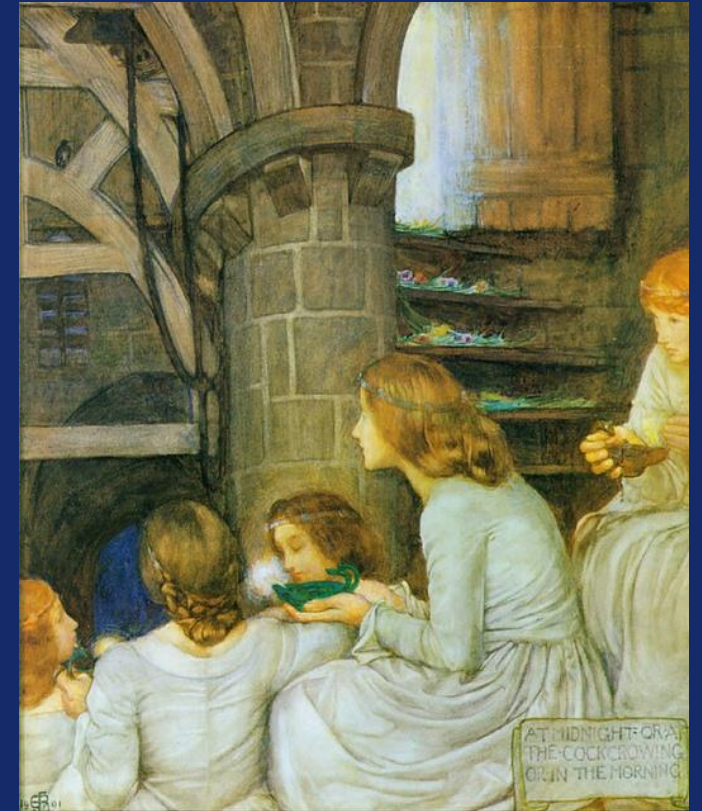
When the world is ripe in iniquity...



“And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days shall be shortened.”

Is the Bride Ready?

“Not good and bad, not righteous and wicked, but wise and foolish. That is, all of them have accepted the invitation to meet the Bridegroom, all are members of the Church...but only five are valiant therein.”



Are We Ready?

They all thought they
were ready.

Outwardly , they all
appeared prepared.



“Lifting up” the bride

“aperion”



Carried to her
new house



4 strong honorary men “heroes of Israel” carry chair

Christ was lifted up on the cross so that he could lift
us through the ordinances of the Gospel as
administered by the Priesthood.

We are carried in comfort because we bear the name
of our Lord.

