

# The Wedding Garment

Man can be described from two perspectives: by his external appearance/ face, or by his character/heart. In the first situation, it is the outer appearance that can be known through the physical eyes, while in the second situation it is the inner appearance/heart, which can be known through the eyes of the mind, through his way of being, through his character.

As for the description of God's image, His character cannot be known by His outer appearance, but only by His character/heart. (*1 Samuel 13:14*).

When Moses wanted to get to know Him, he did not ask to see His appearance, but to show Him His way of being. (*Now if I have gained your favor, show me please your ways; then will I know you... Exodus 33:13*)

Therefore, God revealed to Him His character traits. (*And the Lord passed by before him and proclaimed: "The Lord is a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in patience and goodness". Exodus 34:6*); (*"The Lord is plenteous in patience". (Psalm 145:8)*)

The Word of the Scripture further describes Him thus: (*"He is the Rock; For all his ways are justice; He is a faithful and righteous God. He is just and pure". (Deuteronomy 32:4)*); (*"God is love". (1 John 4:16)*)

When God tells us that His image must be in us, He is telling us that His attributes/character must be imprinted in us.

He works to build His image in us and leads us by the Holy Spirit to put on His attributes. These character traits that we must put on are the wedding garment; and if we will not have the wedding garment by the end of our life on earth, we will be thrown into the outer darkness. (*"Friend," He said to him, "how did you get in here without a wedding garment?" . Matthew 22:12*)

We must put off the old "man" together with his deeds and put on the new man, made in the image of God. (*Put on the new man, made in the image of God. Ephesians 4:24*)

The wedding garment's fabric is made of goodness, patience, kindness, love, mercy... (*Put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and*

*patience. But beyond all these things put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. Colossians 3:12, 14)*

This new garment is the garment of the heart that will make me like Lord Jesus.