

“WORD OF LIFE”

June 14, 2026

55. CHRIST – HIS **PERSON** (36)

T. TO THE BELIEVERS

46. **Husband**

47. **Bridegroom**

Suggested Hymns: Divine Romance & (# 1160) / # 233 / # 27

✚ “... the **words** ... are **spirit** and are **life**,” (John 6:63)

2Cor. 11:2 - For I am jealous over you with a jealousy of God;
for I **betrothed** you to one **husband** to **present** you as a pure **virgin** to Christ.

Isa. 54:5 - For your **Maker** is your **Husband**; **Jehovah** of hosts is His name.

John 3:29 - He who has the **bride** is the **bridegroom**; ... This joy of mine therefore is made full.

Rev. 19:7 - Let us **rejoice** and **exult**, and let us give the **glory** to Him, for the **marriage** of the **Lamb** has come,
and His **wife** has made herself **ready**.

✚ “... the **excellency** of the **knowledge** of Christ Jesus my Lord...,” (Phil. 3:8)

❖ **To us**, Christ is our Husband, the unique **Husband** for us to love (2 Cor. 11:2).

- we have been **presented** as a pure **virgin** to Him
- we should **belong only** to Him
- we should **appreciate** Him and **love** Him
- we should **care** only for Him, allowing nothing to replace Him in our hearts

❖ **To us**, Christ is our **Bridegroom** (John 3:29).

- Our **bridegroom** is a most **pleasant** person,
- He will come back for us, His **bride**.

✚ “For you can all **prophecy** one by one that all may **learn** and all may be **encouraged**.” (1Cor. 14:31)

✚ As our **Husband**, Christ has **attracted** us. Our love for Him should be **pure**, and our whole being should be **focused** on Him.

✚ We as a corporate **bride** are prepared for **Christ**. To us He should be the **attraction**, the **pleasure**, and the **satisfaction**. We should enjoy Him as such a pleasant **Bridegroom**.

✚ When we as God’s people enter into a **love relationship** with **God**, we receive His life, just as **Eve** received the life of **Adam**. It is this life that enables us to **become one with God** and makes **Him one with us** as His enlargement and expression.

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Divine Romance Experience of Christ— Loving Him

1 How could a **country girl** like me
Become Your match — Your **bride** to be?
You're holy and You are **divine**
But I'm **fallen** and human.

Without You, **Lord**, I have no chance
To be like You in this **romance**.
But You **chose** me ere the world began
Nothing could change Your plan.

Chorus 1:

This **divine romance**
Is **My** heart's deep plan.
I became a **lowly man**
To court My **country girl**.

Nothing could deter,
Nothing can alter
My **eternal love** for her;
I'll gain My **country girl**.

2 No man or angel ever knew
This secret **hidden deep** in You
That You desired to be **one with man**
Before the world began.

Though **sin** came in to **ruin** me
Through Satan's scheme and subtlety
Nothing could break Your **love for me**
To gain me totally.

(repeat chorus 1)

3 As **King** of kings You became a **man**,
You **died** for me—I've been **redeemed**,
In **resurrection** made us **queen**
To **marry** You, my **King**.

From death You **'rose** and **entered** me,
I now **possess** Your **divinity**;
In **life and nature** we're the same:
Both human and divine.

Chorus 2:

In Your **love** I'm drawn,
To You I **belong**;
I am not my own, **Lord**,
I'm Yours alone.

By Your **love** I'm drawn,
In Your name I'm **charmed**,
And Your Person **captured** me,
For I've been **kissed** by Thee.

4 **Lord**, in this close sweet **fellowship**,
Lord, be with me so **intimate**,
So personal and **affectionate**;
A **sweet relationship**.

Lord, daily **change** my inward being
Lord, all my heart possessing
In all my being—**transforming**
To be Your **bride** and **queen**.

(repeat chorus 2)

[Hymn 1160—maintaining the spirit]

Hymn 233 Praise of the Lord — Remembrance of Him

1 O what a miracle, my **Lord**,
That I'm in Thee and Thou in me,
That Thou and I are **really one**;
O what a wondrous mystery!

2 For me Thy **body** Thou didst give,
That I may ever share in Thee;
For me Thy precious **blood** was **shed**,
That from my **sins** I might be **free**.

3 By **resurrection** Thou didst change
Thy form and as the **Spirit** come;
Thou wouldst that I **be filled with Thee**
That all Thy riches mine become.

4 Now as the **symbols** we behold,
Thy **loving** self we see anew;
We thank Thee for Thy **heart's desire**
As all Thy travail we review.

5 We **eat** the **bread** and **drink** the **wine**,
And to Thy sweetness we are led;
In **spirit** each **receiving** Thee,
Our **spirits** with Thyself are **fed**.

6 We long to **eat** and **drink** e'en more,
To **take** Thyself in **spirit** thus,
Till Thou shalt **all our being fill**
And **true remembrance** have from us.

Mat 26:26 —

..., **Jesus** took **bread** and **blessed** it,
and He **broke** it and gave it to the
disciples and said,
Take, **eat**; this is **My body**.

Mat 26:27 —

And He took a **cup** and gave thanks,
and He gave it to them, saying,
Drink of it, all of you,

Mat 26:28 —

For this is **My blood** of the **covenant**,
which is being poured out for many for
forgiveness of sins.

The **content** of the church is **Christ**.
The **intrinsic reality** of every single
matter in the church is **Christ Himself**.

The **reality of believing** in the Lord
is **Christ's coming into us**.
The **reality of baptism**
is our **union** with **Christ**

To **remember** the **Lord**
is to **EAT** the **Lord's body**
and **DRINK** the **Lord's blood**.

Hymn 27 Worship of the Father — His Love

1 Come, let us all unite to **sing**,
God is love, **God** is **love**.
Let heav'n and earth
their **praises** bring;
God is love, **God** is **love**.
Let ev'ry soul from **sin** **awake**,
Each in his heart sweet music make,
And sing with us, for **Jesus'** sake,
God is love! **God** is **love**!

2 How happy is our portion here!
God is love, **God** is **love**.
His promises our **spirits** cheer;
God is love, **God** is **love**.
He is our sun and shield by day,
Our help, our hope,
our strength, and stay,
He will be with us all the way:
God is love! **God** is **love**!

3 In **glory** we shall sing again,
God is love, **God** is **love**.
Yes, this shall be our lofty strain,
God is love, **God** is **love**.
While endless ages roll along,
In concert with the heav'nly throng,
This shall be still our **sweetest song**,
God is love! **God** is **love**!

Jer. 31:3 —

Jehovah appeared to me ..., saying,
...I have **loved you** with an **eternal love**,
...I have **drawn** you with **lovingkindness**.

1John 4:16 —

And **we know** and have **believed** the love
which **God** has in us. **God is love**, and he
who abides in love abides in **God** and
God abides in him.

1John 4:17 —

In this has **love** been perfected with us,
that we may have **boldness** in the **day of**
the judgment because even as He is, so
also are we in this world.

1John 4:18 —

There is **no fear** in **love**, but perfect **love**
casts out fear because **fear** has
punishment, and he who fears has not
been perfected in **love**.