

First Words:

A. The _____ Bride – **Jeremiah 2:1-3**

Jeremiah 2:2–3 - “Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem, Thus says the Lord, “I remember the devotion of your youth, your love as a bride, how you followed me in the wilderness, in a land not sown. ³Israel was holy to the Lord, the firstfruits of his harvest. All who ate of it incurred guilt; disaster came upon them, declares the Lord.”

B. The _____ Bride – **Jeremiah 2:4-11**

1. What wrong did I do to you? - **Jeremiah 2:5** - Thus says the Lord: “What wrong did your fathers find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthlessness, and became worthless?

2. Has any nation changed its gods? - **Jeremiah 2:9–11** - “Therefore I still contend with you, declares the Lord, and with your children’s children I will contend.” For cross to the coasts of Cyprus and see, or send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has been such a thing. ¹¹ Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for that which does not profit.

C. The _____ Bride – **Jeremiah 2:12-13**

Jeremiah 2:12–13 - Be appalled, O heavens, at this; be shocked, be utterly desolate, declares the Lord, ¹³ for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water.

D. The _____ Bride – **Jeremiah 2:14-21**

1. The consequences - **Jeremiah 2:15–16** - The lions have roared against him; they have roared loudly. They have made his land a waste; his cities are in ruins, without inhabitant. ¹⁶ Moreover, the men of Memphis and Tahpanhes have shaved the crown of your head.
2. The cause - **Jeremiah 2:17 & 19** - Have you not brought this upon yourself by forsaking the Lord your God, when he led you in the way?¹⁹ Your evil will chastise you, and your apostasy will reprove you. Know and see that it is evil and bitter for you to forsake the Lord your God; the fear of me is not in you, declares the Lord God of hosts.
3. The calamity - **Jeremiah 2:20–21** - “For long ago I broke your yoke and burst your bonds; but you said, ‘I will not serve.’ Yes, on every high hill and under every green tree you bowed down like a whore. ²¹ Yet I planted you a choice vine, wholly of pure seed. How then have you turned degenerate and become a wild vine?

E. The _____ Bride – **Jeremiah 2:22-30**

1. She is lustful - **Jeremiah 2:23–24** - How can you say, ‘I am not unclean, I have not gone after the Baals’? Look at your way in the valley; know what you have done— a restless young camel running here and there, ²⁴ a wild donkey used to the wilderness, in her heat sniffing the wind! Who can restrain her lust? None who seek her need weary themselves; in her month they will find her.
2. She is shamed - **Jeremiah 2:26–27** - “As a thief is shamed when caught, so the house of Israel shall be shamed: they, their kings, their officials, their priests, and their prophets, ²⁷ who say to a tree, ‘You are my father,’ and to a stone, ‘You gave me birth.’ For they have turned their back to me, and not their face. But in the time of their trouble they say, ‘Arise and save us!’

3. She is helpless - **Jeremiah 2:28** - *But where are your gods that you made for yourself? Let them arise, if they can save you, in your time of trouble; for as many as your cities are your gods, O Judah.*

F. The _____ Bride – **Jeremiah 2:31-37**

1. She forgets her wedding day - **Jeremiah 2:32** - *Can a virgin forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number.*

2. She maintains her innocence - **Jeremiah 2:35** - *You say, 'I am innocent; surely his anger has turned from me.' Behold, I will bring you to judgment for saying, 'I have not sinned.'*

G. The _____ Bride – **Jeremiah 3:1-5**

1. If you sleep around, will you be taken back? - **Jeremiah 3:1** - *"If a man divorces his wife and she goes from him and becomes another man's wife, will he return to her? Would not that land be greatly polluted? You have played the whore with many lovers; and would you return to me?" declares the Lord.*

2. Where have you not cheated on me? - **Jeremiah 3:2** - *Lift up your eyes to the bare heights, and see! Where have you not been ravished? By the waysides you have sat awaiting lovers like an Arab in the wilderness. You have polluted the land with your vile whoredom.*

3. Why are you not ashamed - **Jeremiah 3:3** - *Therefore the showers have been withheld, and the spring rain has not come; yet you have the forehead of a whore; you refuse to be ashamed.*

So...What's it to me?

2 Corinthians 11:2-3 - *For I feel a divine jealousy for you, since I betrothed you to one husband, to present you as a pure virgin to Christ.
³ But I am afraid that as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning, your thoughts will be led astray from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ.*

Revelation 2:1-3:22

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Here Comes the Bride



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