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This is My Son!

And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them. 3 And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them. 4 And there appeared unto them Elias with Moses: and they were talking with Jesus. 5 And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. 6 For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid. 7 And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him. 8 And suddenly, when they had looked round about, they saw no man any more, save Jesus only with themselves. 9 And as they came down from the mountain, he charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen, till the Son of man were risen from the dead.

Rev 19:7 - 8 regarding Jesus's wedding and fine linen garments.

THIS IS MY SON And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. (Mt 3:17).

Another similar verse While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him. (Mt 17:5).

And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him. (Lu 9:35).

And there came a voice from heaven, saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. (Mr 1:11).

And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God. (Joh 1:34).

And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God. (Joh 6:69).

This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. (2Pe 1:17)



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Six days of preparation and purification are needed before standing on holy ground. (Paul had to go through this cleansing process when he returned to Jerusalem to face the Jewish brethren in the Temple).

The idea expressed here is that no man on earth could make such a whiteness, therefore it must be God that has done this. White garments (such as those in Revelations at the marriage of Christ to his believers), and probably in “the Last Marriage” are given by God to man as a sign of righteousness. - In this case, the garments are so white it indicates perfection in the wearer.

Peter was chosen by James and John to do the talking. The three Apostles considered Moses, Elias and Jesus to be equal prophets, and called Jesus “Master” (Teacher) not Lord. By implication they ranked Jesus along with the two prophets, but God immediately “straightened out the Apostles” by identifying Jesus as his Son -and to make the point clear, He takes the two prophets “out of the picture”.

“A Fuller” = is a “cloth dresser” or perhaps we would say a “Dry cleaners” today.

Rev 19:7 - 8 regarding Jesus’s wedding and fine linen garments.

Proper 23 A (Matthew 22:1-14)

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notice I use idiom here. Imagine how these words would be received 2000 years from now! The Apostles used Aramaic idiom frequently, Matthew more than Mark, but in Mark 9:50 “have salt in yourselves” means: have good manners, good conduct. - Check it out.

The Jews were expecting a kingly warrior for a Messiah, someone who would get them out from under the Roman oppressors. When they listened to Jesus, they realized that he was not the man they expected.

Jesus wasn’t saying He was the Son of God, He said He was the Son of Man His followers must have been a bit confused.

The purpose of all these verses about God identifying Jesus as his Son, was to make it very clear to the Jewish proselytes that although Jesus called himself the Son of Man, he was really the Son of God, but He had wanted it to be a secret. Peter, James and John’s testimony were supposed to be withheld until after the resurrection, but if you tell a Syrian a secret, it becomes the next day’s news Peter, James and John knew the truth! And of course they told all the disciples. This release of a “secret” was much more convincing to the disciples, than Jesus saying who He really was. If Jesus had denied that He was the Son of God, no-one would now have believed Him!

Lamsa - Idioms (see ref: below)

The Syrian nature - to be fascinated by secrets, and to want to brag about them immediately, explains the reason why Jesus says “don’t tell anyone”, so often.

The parables are another example. Each parable contains a secret, and Jesus doesn’t tell it. It is left for the disciples to figure out what the secret is. As any phrase of the parable might have the answer, everyone would have memorized it, talked about it, thought about it, and bragged about it when they found the answer. Then they shared it with all the disciples. What a good method to get a spiritual idea infused into the mind of righteous man. The H.S. is still necessary to understand it, of course.

Even today, people love to read books that expose “secrets”.

