

# THE KING TAKES A BRIDE

## PSALM 45

### Introduction:

There has been endless speculation about the original setting for this psalm. Evidently it grew out of a royal wedding in Judah, but it could have been any one of several. No one knows for sure which one, but it really doesn't matter.

This is really a love song about the greater Son of David taking a bride. Only the Lord Jesus can measure up fully to the description of the groom, and surely the church fits the description of the bride. The writer of Hebrews settles the issue when he quotes this Psalm and applies it to the Lord Jesus, the Son of God (Hebrews 1: 8-9).

### I. THE HEAVENLY GROOM

1. The handsomeness of His countenance.
2. The grace of His speech.
3. The righteousness of His conquest.
4. The permanence of His rule.
5. The fragrance of His garments.

### II. THE EARTHLY BRIDE

1. The honor of her position (v. 9)

2. The completeness of her devotion (v. 10)
3. The expression of her surrender (v. 11)
4. The extent of her influence (v. 12)
5. The excellence of her attire (v. 13-14)
6. The joy of her entrance (v. 14-15)