**Portraits of Jesus**

**“The Groom”**

2 Corinthians 11:2 (NLT)

1. **Acceptance of the marriage offer of the Lamb.**
* Jesus has chosen you to be His bride.
* Jesus desires a monogamous relationship with you.
* Have you accepted Jesus’ offer of marriage?
1. **The desire to be properly clothed for the wedding.**
* Ephesians‬ ‭5:25-27‬ ‭(NLT‬‬)
* You need to desire to be pure and holy.
* Jesus desires to forgive and wash you with His blood.
* Jesus provides the best for you, not the world.
1. **A willingness to prepare.**
* Revelation 19:7–8 (NLT)
* The engagement period is our time to prepare.
* Colossians‬ ‭3:12-14‬ ‭(NLT‬‬)
* Faith without works is dead.
* Works reveals your faith.