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## Lessons from the Royal Wedding

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**P**rince William and Catherine, now the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, were married April 29. The ceremony was held in a stately cathedral, Westminster Abbey, and featured grand music and dress. No temptation to want to get up and dance wildly in the aisles here!

But the most pleasing part of the service may have been the comments by the dean of the abbey, the Very Reverend John R. Hall, prior to the exchange of vows. With marriage currently under attack and "marital relations" so common outside of marriage, he wisely ignored these current trends in his comments:



"Dear Beloved, we are gathered here in the sight of God and in the face of this congregation to join together this man and this woman in holy matrimony, which is an honorable estate instituted of God Himself, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and His church, which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with His presence and first miracle which He wrought in Cana of Galilee and is commended in Holy Writ to be honorable among all men and therefore is not by any to be enterprised nor taken in hand inadvisably, lightly or wantonly but reverently, discreetly, soberly and in the fear of God, duly considering the causes for which matrimony was ordained.

"First, it was ordained for the increase of mankind according to the will of God and that children might be brought up in the fear and nurture of the Lord and to the praise of His holy name. [I wonder what the famous homosexual celebrity and his "partner" who were in attendance thought of point #1.]

"Secondly, it was ordained in order that the natural instincts and affections implanted by God should be hallowed and directed aright that those who are called of God to this holy estate should continue therein in pureness of living.

"Thirdly, it was ordained for the mutual society, help and comfort that the one ought to have of the other both in prosperity and adversity."

Did this impressive event affect any of the millions or billions of the world's people who watched it? God willing, over the short term at least, marriage, holy living and love for God's Word might have regained some of their lost luster. *LSI* 

-Warren Krug, editor