



## Make Your Own Picture of a Beautiful Bride

I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem,  
coming down out of heaven from God,  
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.  
(Revelation 21:2)

John saw a magnificent city of pure gold descending from the Lord out of heaven. This city pictures the beautiful teachings of the New Church that the Lord is establishing. When seen as a bride, this city symbolizes our loving response to the Lord and the truths that He gives us. This project invites you to picture a beautiful bride!

### *Suggested Materials*

pencil  
colored pencils, wax crayons, water colors, or markers  
scissors  
glue  
colored paper (8.5 inches by 11 inches)  
optional: metallic pens, pearlescent glitter, *etc.*

### *Suggested Procedure*

1. Think about brides you may have seen at a wedding or in pictures. What do they usually wear? (a long white dress, veil, *etc.*) What do brides often carry in their hands? (a bouquet of beautiful flowers) Sometimes brides wear a crown or a garland of flowers in their hair.
2. Get a mental picture of the bride you would like to draw. What color hair will she have? What will her dress look like? Will she be wearing a crown or have a garland of flowers in her hair?
3. Start drawing your picture, first using a pencil to lightly sketch the bride.
4. The bride seen by John was wearing a dress of white linen. If you make a white dress for your bride, you may want to cut out your picture and glue it onto a piece of colored paper. (Or fill in around the bride with another color for contrast.)
5. Optional: Use metallic pens or glitter to add the finishing touches to your picture and show that she is a heavenly vision.