

Song of Songs

Journeying into Divine Love

Season 2 Part 6 Song of Songs 3:11



Scriptures

- **Song of Songs 3:11:**
“Go forth, O daughters of Zion,
And gaze on King Solomon with the crown
With which his mother has crowned him
On the day of his wedding,
And on the day of his gladness of heart.”
- **Revelation 19:7-9:** ⁷ Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready.” ⁸ It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. ⁹ Then he said to me, “Write, ‘Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.’” And he said to me, “These are true words of God.”
- **Luke 24:13-35:** *Jesus uses the Hebrew Bible to reveal Himself to His followers on the road to Emmaus.*
- **John 3:29:** He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom’s voice. So this joy of mine has been made full.
- **Matthew 9:14-15:** ¹⁴ Then the disciples of John came to Him, asking, “Why do we and the Pharisees fast, but Your disciples do not fast?” ¹⁵ And Jesus said to them, “The attendants of the bridegroom cannot mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them, can they? But the days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast.
- **Matthew 25:1:** Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.
- **Revelation 21:9:** Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, “Come here, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.”
- **Matthew 12:47-50:** ⁴⁷ Someone said to Him, “Behold, Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside seeking to speak to You.” ⁴⁸ But Jesus answered the one who was telling Him and said, “Who is My mother and who are My brothers?” ⁴⁹ And stretching out His hand toward His disciples, He said, “Behold My mother and My brothers! ⁵⁰ For whoever does the will of My Father who is in heaven, he is My brother and sister and mother.”
- **Mark 1:41:** Moved with compassion, Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him, and said to him, “I am willing; be cleansed.”
- **2 Corinthians 11:14:** No wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.
- **Revelation 12:10:** Satan is the “accuser of the brethren,” and that is how he interacts with us.
- **Isaiah 62:5:** For as a young man marries a virgin, So your sons will marry you; And as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, So your God will rejoice over you.
- **Ephesians 5:25-32:** *Jesus speaks of the symbolism in marriage and His relationship with us.*

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Main Points

- Jesus is not just our Savior, He is also our Bridegroom, and our relationship with Him culminates in a wedding. He is identified in a number of places in the New Testament as the Bridegroom. God uses this bridal language because He wants us to understand that He desires a close, intimate relationship with us. The marriage relationship is the closest and most intimate relationship in the natural realm.
- We are instructed in verse 11 to gaze on the King. As Jesus' Bride, it is important for us to do this, because by doing so, we will move further into the revelation of Jesus' Bridegroom love for us – love that is as strong as death!
- The King is crowned by His mother. In Matthew, Jesus tells us that His disciples are His mother. How do we crown Jesus? We crown Jesus with our love and affection. There is a powerful mystery here – Jesus, the eternal God, gets pleasure when we love Him. That is, we have the ability to move Him emotionally. We are not only receivers of God's love, but we give Him our love too!
- There is an important element of spiritual warfare to understand in this episode. Satan comes to us as an "angel of light," but he comes to accuse and condemn us, not edify us toward maturity. He speaks to us as an angel of light by disguising his communications/thoughts in a way that we do not think they are coming from him. In fact, he tries to make us think that the thoughts are from God. We must understand that Jesus does not communicate with us in this way. According to Ephesians 5:29, He nourishes and cherishes us toward maturity. Discerning the source of our thoughts will set us free in our relationship with Jesus.

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Discussion Questions

1. Why does God communicate to us with bridal language?
2. Based on verse 11, Rabbi encourages us to gaze upon Jesus as our Bridegroom. Why is it important for us to begin to focus on Jesus as our Bridegroom, and not just our Savior?
3. Have you ever thought about how it affects Jesus when you spend time with Him, focus on Him, praise Him, witness about Him, and do others things that express your love for Him? Discuss.
4. List some examples of thoughts that come from Satan and his demonic hosts. Then list examples of how Jesus communicates to us.
5. Are you struggling with certain demonic thoughts about yourself? Share those with the group and pray according to Ephesians 5:29 and the list of examples you compiled in number 3 above.
6. Continue the prayer dialogue with Jesus based upon the themes from this episode of the Song of Songs series.