

Song of Songs

Journeying into Divine Love

Season 3 Part 2 Song of Songs 5:1-5



Scriptures

- **Song of Songs 5:2-5:**
- 2 “I was asleep but my heart was awake.
A voice! My beloved was knocking:
‘Open to me, my sister, my darling,
My dove, my perfect one!
For my head is drenched with dew,
My locks with the damp of the night.’
- 3 “I have taken off my dress,
How can I put it on *again*?
I have washed my feet,
How can I dirty them *again*?
- 4 “My beloved extended his hand through the opening,
And my feelings were aroused for him.
- 5 “I arose to open to my beloved;
And my hands dripped with myrrh,
And my fingers with liquid myrrh,
On the handles of the bolt.

- **John 15:1-2:** “I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every *branch* that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit.
- **James 1:2-3:** Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance.
- **Philippians 2:8:** Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
- **Matthew 26:39:** And He went a little beyond *them*, and fell on His face and prayed, saying, “My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; yet not as I will, but as You will.”
- **Luke 22:44:** And being in agony He was praying very fervently; and His sweat became like drops of blood, falling down upon the ground.
- **Revelation 3:20:** Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me.
- **Philippians 3:7-11:** But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. More than that, I count all things to be loss in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ, and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from *the* Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which *comes* from God on the basis of faith, that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.
- **Other Scriptures**
- **Zechariah 3:3-5**
- **John 13:5-17: Jesus washes the disciples’ feet.**

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Main Points

- Review
 - In answer to the Bride's call at the end of chapter four, the King begins to take full possession of her life starting in chapter five.
 - North winds are times of difficulty. South winds are times of blessing and encouragement.
- In Chapter five, the King begins to take the Bride through a north wind season. Jesus, represented by the King, comes to the Bride as the One who went through the garden of Gethsemane.
- Jesus is coming to the Bride to prune her; He is coming with an invitation to the "fellowship of His suffering."
- Spiritual muscles grow the same way muscles do in the natural – through resistance.
- The critical question Jesus is asking the Bride in this experience is "Will you love me even in times of difficulty. Will you stay faithful when circumstances are not easy, when they are painful?"
- We cannot reach our potential and full maturity in Jesus unless we suffer with Him.
- We need to learn how to walk by faith, not feeling.
- In verse three, the King extends His hand through the opening of the Bride's heart. He is preparing her for the difficulty ahead by imparting grace to spiritually empower her.
- A test is when God brings us through something hard in order to strengthen and mature us.
- Oftentimes before we go through a difficult season, the LORD will release a supernatural grace into our life that will empower us to go through the season in victory.
- God is omniscient and knows what we need when we need it. He dwells in eternity and can see the beginning from the end, so He has the ability to bring us through every challenge. This means that we have nothing to fear or worry about.

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Discussion Questions

1. To review, discuss the events that led up to chapter five.
2. The King comes to the Bride with locks (hair) wet with dew. What is the prophetic significance of the condition of the King in this part of the Song of Songs?
3. The King was coming with an invitation. What was that invitation?
4. What part do difficulties play in our lives?
5. Why do we not need to fear the current challenges we are facing or the future challenges we will face?
6. Discuss times when you felt grace from God being imparted into your life. Did that experience precede a “wilderness” season?