



Scriptures

- **Song of Songs 6:4-5:**

4 “You are as beautiful as Tirzah, my darling,
As lovely as Jerusalem,
As awesome as an army with banners.

5 “Turn your eyes away from me,
For they have confused me;
Your hair is like a flock of goats
That have descended from Gilead.

Other Scriptures:

- **Matthew 20:28**
- **Genesis 1:26-27**
- **Genesis 3:8**
- **John 11:33**
- **Revelation 3:20**
- **1 Corinthians 2:14-15**

Main Points

- At the start of chapter 6, the less mature believers were asking how to find Jesus. The Bride responds and says that they would find Him serving (and when they began to serve).
- The more we become like Jesus, the deeper our intimacy will be with Him.
- The journey through life as a believer is like climbing a mountain, often it is hard and requires faith and faithfulness to what we know (know what we feel), but at various times and in various ways Jesus will meet us. The Bride experiences this in verses 4-5.
- Tirzah was the most beautiful city in the ancient world (i.e., when the Song was written) – it symbolizes the most beautiful things in the natural world.
- Humans are the “crown of creation”! Often we do not feel beautiful because of shame and the accusation of Satan/demons, but the LORD sees us as more beautiful than anything natural.
- Jerusalem was the capital city and called “the City of the Great King” and “the City of Peace”. It is connected to the glory of God. The King is affirming the Bride is the highest way.
- The Author of everything beautiful and great lives in us, so we can be confident and confess that “I am beautiful!”
- The King further praises the Bride for her conquering power when He likens her to an army with banners. Victorious armies would return flying their banners when they won a battle/war. The Bride had conquered her fear and doubt, she had conquered walking by feelings, she had conquered the love of herself, she conquered offense, and she had conquered intimidation and the fear of man. This is the culmination of the King’s call to follow Him up the mountain.
- In Revelation 2-3, God tells us that those who overcome will inherit various things. It is critical to overcome and gain victory in our lives. The things we must overcome are the same as the things the Bride had to overcome because she represents us, the church.



- The Bride had a warrior mindset. She was determined to go up the mountain until she found refreshment (“the cool of the day”) in the King’s presence and light had broken through all her darkness (“the shadows flee away”).
- The Bride was so faithful and loyal to the King that it moved Him when she looked at Him. Jesus voluntarily makes Himself vulnerable to us. He truly gets enjoyment out of our love for and faithfulness to Him.
- You are the Bride of Jesus! You are beautiful to Him and no one can ever take that away from you.

Discussion Questions

1. Why is it so important to serve from the standpoint of our relationship with Jesus?
2. Discuss why the King compares the Bride to Tirzah and Jerusalem. What does that mean for you?
3. The King declares that the Bride is “awesome as an army with banners.” Why does He say this?
4. Discuss specifically the things that the Bride had overcome earlier in her journey. What things are you focused on overcoming?
5. What moves God’s heart? Spend time this week focusing and meditating on the fact that your expressions of love (even if small) move Jesus’ heart.