

# Song of Songs

## Journeying into Divine Love

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### Scriptures

- **Luke 24:27** – Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures.
- **2 Peter 1:20-21** – But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, 21 for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.
- **John 16:24** – [The Holy Spirit] will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you.
- **Genesis 1:27** – God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.
- **Ephesians 5:31-32** – For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.
- **2 Corinthians 11:2** - For I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy; for I betrothed you to one husband, so that to Christ I might present you as a pure virgin.
- **Song of Songs 1:4** – Draw me after you and let us run together! The king has brought me into his chambers. We will rejoice in you and be glad; we will extol (remember – NKJV) your love more than wine. Rightly do they love you."
- **Matthew 7:7** – Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.
- **John 14:21, 23** – “He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him.” Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him.”
- **Hebrews 1:9** – You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness above Your companions.
- **John 20:21** – So Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."
- **Matthew 4; Luke 4** – Jesus' temptation in the wilderness

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## Main Points

- Review
  - The Song of Songs helps us understand how Jesus feels about us.
  - There are multiple interpretive layers to the Scriptures. We need to look for the deeper meanings of Scripture. On the surface the Song of Songs looks to be about Solomon and the Shulamite bride, but going deeper, it is a revelation of Jesus' relationship with His bride.
  - The Holy Spirit inspired men to write Scripture and His purpose is to reveal and glorify Jesus.
- As humans, we all have needs (e.g., love, intimacy), and those needs are a result of being created in God's image. He put those needs and desires in us because He wants to fulfill them with Himself.
- The bride's initial experience(s) with the King causes her to cry out for Him to draw her to Himself. He responds by bringing her into His (bridal) chamber.
- Jesus is alive; He is with you and will reveal Himself and His love to you as you seek Him (SS 1:4, Mt 7:7).
- The bride's response to her chamber experiences with the King was a declaration: "We will rejoice and be glad..." This is a commitment to be happy in Jesus' love. Part of being glad is a decision. We can live empowered over circumstances, our peace and happiness is not dependant on circumstances. We live in the midst of darkness, but we have Jesus, eternal life, living in and with us, and He has promised to give us victory.
- Jesus was anointed with the oil of gladness beyond His companions.
- The bride makes a second declaration after her encounter with the King. She declares that she will remember the King's love. Related to this declaration was the practice of the children of Israel, in which they would build a memorial for God when He did something special.
- After Jesus does something special for us, there is often a period of testing, wherein the enemy comes to challenge or steal what God did. If we resist and remember in times of testing, we will be strengthened in our faith and relationship with Jesus.

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## Discussion Questions

1. What is the overarching purpose of the Song of Songs?
2. What do you think are your most fundamental needs?
3. In what way would you like Jesus to meet one of your desires?
4. What does the bride's first declaration to "rejoice and be glad" mean?
5. Why and how is it possible to rejoice and be glad when circumstances are difficult?
6. What does the bride's second declaration to remember the Kings love mean?
7. Why is it important to record prophetic words, victories in God, and other special encounters with Jesus?
8. What difficult circumstance are you currently facing? Begin to choose to rejoice in Jesus through the circumstance.
9. Share with the group at least one time when you experienced God in some way.