

# Song of Songs Journeying into Divine Love

Part 8 Song of Songs 1:7-8



## Scriptures

- **Song of Songs 1:7-8-** “Tell me, O you whom my soul loves, where do you pasture your flock, where do you make it lie down at noon? For why should I be like one who veils herself beside the flocks of your companions?” “If you yourself do not know, most beautiful among women, go forth on the trail of the flock and pasture your young goats by the tents of the shepherds.”
- **Luke 12:32-** Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has chosen gladly to give you the kingdom.
- **Hebrews 10:24-25-** Let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.
- **1 Corinthians 12:15-21-** If the foot says, “Because I am not a hand, I am not a part of the body,” it is not for this reason any the less a part of the body. And if the ear says, “Because I am not an eye, I am not a part of the body,” it is not for this reason any the less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, just as He desired. If they were all one member, where would the body be? But now there are many members, but one body. And the eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you”; or again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.”
- **John 17:20-21-** “I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word; that they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me.
- **1 John 4:20-** If someone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen.
- **John 13:3-5-** Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come forth from God and was going back to God, got up from supper, and laid aside His garments; and taking a towel, He girded Himself. Then He poured water into the basin, and began to wash the disciples’ feet and to wipe them with the towel with which He was girded.
- **Matthew 20:28-** The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.
- **Luke 22:27-** For who is greater, the one who reclines at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who reclines at the table? But I am among you as the one who serves.
- **Psalms 133:1-** Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity!
- **Genesis 9:21-25-** He drank of the wine and became drunk, and uncovered himself inside his tent. Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told his two brothers outside. But Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it upon both their shoulders and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were turned away, so that they did not see their father’s nakedness. When Noah awoke from his wine, he knew what his youngest son had done to him. So he said, “Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants He shall be to his brothers.”
- **Numbers 16 and 17-** Aaron’s rod buds to demonstrate the authority God delegated to him.

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## Main Points

- Review
  - The Song of Songs was given to us by the Holy Spirit to reveal Jesus' love for us as His bride.
  - As the pressures and realities of life pressed in, the Bride began to feel a distance between herself and her Bridegroom. In verse 7 she calls out, asking how to reunite with the Bridegroom King in closeness and intimacy.
  
- The Bridegroom responds to the Bride's call in verse 7, not with a rebuke, but with tender, affirming love. He calls her the "most beautiful among women."
  
- He counsels her to do the following: 1) get back into fellowship with God's people, 2) get involved in serving, and 3) learn how to relate to the authority that God has on earth.
  - A hypocrite is someone whose heart is not in alignment with what they are saying, no someone who says something and fails to live up to it.
  - We work out our relationship with God through our relationship with other people. The idea that you can be a healthy Christian without a connection to the church is a fallacy.
  - Serving is a key to restoring fellowship with God. He is a humble servant, and we will experience fellowship with Him in the process of serving.
  - God's government is a kingdom and He invests His authority in people on earth. As we submit to those people, we submit to God Himself and His presence and favor are released into our lives in a greater way.

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## Discussion Questions

1. As a review, why is the Bride calling out in verse 7?
2. What is the attitude of the King's heart, as He responds to the Bride's call in verse 8?
3. What are the three items of counsel that the King give to the Bride with respect to the path back to fellowship and a renewed experience of His presence? Discuss each point of counsel in the context of your own life?
4. How have you experienced fellowship with Jesus while serving?
5. Based on verse 8, identify actions you could take to position yourself for greater fellowship with Jesus.