

A Baptism of Love: Draw Me After You



Scripture

- Song of Songs 1:1-6a

¹The Song of Songs, which is Solomon's. ²"May he kiss me with the kisses of his mouth! For your love is better than wine. ³"Your oils have a pleasing fragrance, Your name is like purified oil; Therefore the maidens love you. 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 your love more than wine. Rightly do they love you." ⁵"I am black but lovely, O daughters of Jerusalem, Like the tents of Kedar, Like the curtains of Solomon. ⁶"Do not stare at me because I am swarthy, For the sun has burned me. My mother's sons were angry with me; They made me caretaker of the vineyards,

Other Scriptures

- Rev. 19:7-9
- Ephesians 5
- Col. 1:19
- Luke 24
- Matthew 5:17
- John 6:44
- John 4:32

Main Points

- Jesus didn't just die to forgive you. He died to marry you.
- We are the wife of the lamb.
- The Lord calling us His bride isn't about gender, it's about intimacy.
- God wants to be in union with you.
- Primary Characters in SOS:
 - King Solomon: Shadow of Jesus
 - Shulamite Bride: Shadow of you and I
 - Daughters of Jerusalem: Shadow of the Church
- The bride is asking Jesus to share His Word with her.
- Our journey begins with an intense desire.
- In order for us to come to the Father, He has to draw us to Himself.

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- Even with our imperfections Jesus thinks we are beautiful.
- We must recognize that God loves us right where we are at.
- Father God, I thank You that I am beautiful to You. I agree with You Jesus, that you are a beautiful God. That You created me in Your image. That You love me, that You have washed me and I am beautiful to You. And I reject self-condemnation and from this day forward Jesus I agree with You that I am loved and beautiful.

Discussion Questions

1. Whether you are male or female, sometimes intimacy with people is challenging. Intimacy with the unseen God might seem even more so. Do you struggle with desire for intimacy with God? How would you like to see this change through this series? Take a moment to express your desire for this to your Abba Father right now.

2. God desires your partnership in life. What is your level of desire for your Lord Jesus Christ? Are you willing to allow Him his leadership in your life? Though you may feel insecurities or shame at who you are right now, God chooses you as you are and will help you become like Him. Your imperfections are your opportunity to appreciate His love even more.

3. How did Rabbi's confession for you to pray make you feel. It is in print here in the notes so that you can repeat it as often as you desire. Let this confession sink deep in and look for God-moments which prove His love for you. Kisses from the mouth of God do much to reinforce our appreciation and worship of God as we see His personal care. Better yet, keep a journal of these moments as a record of blessings.