The Bride Of Jesus

Part 3



Scriptures

• Song of Songs 5:1-2

1'I have come into my garden, my sister, my bride; I have gathered my myrrh along with my balsam. I have eaten my honeycomb and my honey; I have drunk my wine and my milk. Eat, friends; Drink and imbibe deeply, O lovers." 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."'

• SOS 5:10-16

10 My beloved is dazzling and ruddy, outstanding among ten thousand. 11"His head is like gold, pure gold; His locks are like clusters of dates And black as a raven.12"His eyes are like doves beside streams of water, bathed in milk, And reposed in their setting.13"His cheeks are like a bed of balsam, Banks of sweet-scented herbs; His lips are lilies dripping with liquid myrrh.14"His hands are rods of gold set with beryl; His abdomen is carved ivory inlaid with sapphires.15"His legs are pillars of alabaster set on pedestals of pure gold; His appearance is like Lebanon, choice as the cedars.16"His mouth is full of sweetness. And he is wholly desirable. This is my beloved and this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem."

• SOS 6:1-2

1Where has your beloved gone, O most beautiful among women? Where has your beloved turned, That we may seek him with you?" 2My beloved has gone down to his garden, to the beds of balsam, To pasture his flock in the gardens And gather lilies.

• SOS 6:4-5a

4You 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;

• SOS 7:9

9And your mouth like the best wine! It goes down smoothly for my beloved, flowing gently through the lips of those who fall asleep.

• SOS 8:6

6"Put me like a seal over your heart..."

SOS 8:14

14"Hurry, my beloved, and be like a gazelle or a young stag on the mountains of spices."

Other Scriptures

- John 14:21 & 23
- Song of Songs 4:16; 5:9; & 8:6
- Mt. 23:11; & 26:38-45
- Mark 12:1-12
- Rev. 3:11
- Ex. 34:14

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Main Points

- Jesus answers our prayer to come in to our lives if He is asked.
 - o He receives pleasure from our fellowship with Him.
 - o He comes as the Jesus of Gethsemane, the One who is alone, desiring relationship.
- He invites us to share with Him in the realm of His suffering—a place of great intimacy.
- We are anointed to make Jesus beautiful to people.
 - o By extolling the virtue of Jesus we can cause others to follow Him too.
- Many times in the Bible, agriculture represents the Kingdom of God.
- Jesus is found in serving His people.
- God places Himself in a posture that allows Himself to be moved by us.
- We are the "bride" of Christ and will enter the deep relationship of a bride with Him at His return.

Discussion Questions

1.	Have you surrendered to the intimacy of the suffering Jesus? How has this drawn you closer to Him?
2.	How is Jesus made beautiful to others in your life?

- 3. Would believing that Jesus considers you so beautiful that He is overwhelmed change you? How?
- 4. Imagine the day that the Bridegroom returns for His bride—you and me? What encouragement can you take from this today?