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Scriptures

Song of Songs 2:1-5: ¹"I am the rose of Sharon, The lily of the valleys." ² "Like a lily among the thorns, So is my darling among the maidens." ³ "Like an apple tree among the trees of the forest. So is my beloved among the young men. In his shade I took great

delight and sat down, And his fruit was sweet to my taste. ⁴ "He has brought me to his banquet hall, And his banner over me is love. ⁵ "Sustain me with raisin cakes. Refresh me with apples, Because I am lovesick.

DISCOVERING

- 2 Peter 1:20-21: But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.
- John 16:14: He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose it to you.
- 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.
- **Revelation 19:7**: Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready."
- John 17:3: This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.
- John 10:10: The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.
- **Psalm 91:7**: A thousand may fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand, but it shall not approach you.
- Matthew 10:28-30: Do not fear those who kill the body but are unable to kill the soul; but rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a cent? And yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.
- Joshua 3 & 4: The account of the children of Israel crossing over into the promised land.
- Genesis 32:26: Then he said, "Let me go, for the dawn is breaking." But he said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me."
- **Romans 8:28**: And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

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- Review
 - All Scripture was given by the Holy Spirit and the primary purpose of the Holy Spirit is to glorify Jesus.
 - The Song of Songs is deeper than a letter written from Solomon to the Shulamite; it is a love letter from Jesus to His bride, the Church. It shows the path to know Jesus.
 - The green couch speaks about rest and life in the Bride's relationship with the King. As we discover Jesus, we will become more and more alive.
 - The Bride was completely in love and focused on living a pure life in the fallen world.
- The Bride has another encounter with the King in verse 2:4. Throughout the life on earth, Jesus reveals Himself to those who are His. No Christian that has met Jesus is bored with Christianity.
- Banners were used to identify various divisions of an army or group of people. The Bride began • to become secure in the King's love. She was not afraid of the future, failure or anything else because she was aware of the power of the King's love and care.
- Jesus is faithful to sustain and refresh us on our journey through life. He will give us apples and • raisin cakes that will encourage us, let us know that He is real and near and bring a fuller knowledge of His presence.

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Discussion Questions

- 1. As a review, discuss how we should approach the Song of Songs from an interpretation and application perspective? Given the nature and purpose of the Holy Spirit, why is this the case?
- 2. The luxuriant or green wedding couch was mentioned during the session. How are you experiencing rest and life in your relationship in Jesus? Discuss specific situations that burden you and pray to enter Jesus' rest in them.
- 3. What were banners used for when Solomon was writing the Song of Songs? What is the relationship between the Bride's banner confession in 2:4 and Romans 8:28?
- 4. Re-read verses 2:4-5 and continue the prayer dialogue thanking Jesus for revelations of His love and any way that He specifically refreshed you in recent months. End by asking for more raisin cakes and apples like the Bride does in verse 5.