

SOS 1:15 The Bridegroom's Description of the Bride

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I. The Beauty of the Bride

Song of Solomon 1:5

I am black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.

She sees herself as she is found in him—not having her own righteousness, but having the righteousness, which is by Jesus Christ.

Song of Solomon 1:4

Draw me, we will run after thee...

Song of Solomon 1:7

Tell me, O thou whom my soul loveth, where thou feedest, where thou makest thy flock to rest at noon...

She has been applying all that she has been learning at the shepherds' tent, and she is getting close enough now that she can distinguish his voice.

Revelation 3:16

So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, **I will spue thee out of my mouth.**

If you are hearing what He is saying, you want to be thanking God.

Revelation 2:29

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Hosea 2:14

Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her.

A. She is Bright

Bright—brilliance; the glory of God

John 5:33, 35

Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth.

He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.

Revelation 19:7

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

Matthew 17:1, 2

And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,

And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

Luke 9:32

But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him.

The church is sleeping, and is not seeing His glory. It is not just in the person of Christ that she is not seeing it, but also she is not seeing the glory of God being made manifest in the lives of them that believe.

Matthew 5:16

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

II Corinthians 3:18

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

A. She is Beautiful

She is beautiful because she is clothed with him.

Romans 13:12

The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

Romans 13:14

But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

II Corinthians 5:4

For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.

I Corinthians 15:54

So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

The ultimate purpose of God in our lives is that we be conformed to the image of His Son.

Romans 8:29

For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Romans 12:2

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

God can fulfill His purpose. Anything that God desires to do, He can do it. He is going to make you just like His Son, because the attributes and all that Jesus has and is, He is sharing with you.

Isaiah 64:6

But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Philippians 3:9

And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

II. The Insight of the Bride

“...thou hast doves' eyes.”

Proverbs 10:10

He that winketh with the eye causeth sorrow: but a prating fool shall fall.

A. Has Fine Eyes

Fine—very keen

The little bride is going to have doves' eyes. She is going to be able to see, and she is going to be looking in the right place at the right time for the right thing.

Revelation 3:18

I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and **anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.**

Revelation 3:17

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

He wants them to see their condition. He then wants them to repent of the condition that they are in, and it will take the Spirit of God to do it.

Matthew 16:2, 3

He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red.

And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; **but can ye not discern the signs of the times?**

I Thessalonians 5:4, 5

But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

II Timothy 3:1

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

Zechariah 14:6, 7

And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark:

But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.

We are in the evening time, and God is revealing truth to those that are hungry and thirsty.

Proverbs 4:18

But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

I Corinthians 2:9, 10

But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

The little bride is beginning to see things that she has never seen before.

A. Has Singleness of Eye

One of the most beautiful things about the dove is that she has one, and only one mate.

The bride is going to have a single eye. She is not going to be attracted by anything beside the bridegroom.

Job 28:7

There is a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen:

There is a place in God that He is drawing the bride into this place with Him. The little bride, though she might have some hard places, is not going to be drawn away. She will not look back.

Luke 17:32

Remember Lot's wife

Philippians 3:14

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus