**Encountering Bridal Intimacy**

***Poem 4- Transforming Love Part 2: Life Within the Veil***

 ***Songs 6:4-13***

1. **Review**

I can’t but help notice, and it’s not me but the Holy Spirit opening my eyes to things that blow my mind. As if the Fathers blueprint for intimacy is uniquely woven into how Jesus modeled life for us, for the two fold purpose of eternity which in itself is spiritually being able to withstand the pressures of the last days.

We see in the phases of a Love Covenant with the Father and Jesus there are two key issues that are only solved by a particular heart posture that leads into a depth that has no other avenue to attain.

1. We see in the Failing Love poem that “getting over self “ is hard, but in that process of not fully surrendering to Jesus, we as humans only fall in love with what Jesus offers and not the man.

Then we get to a place, after we have rejected Him so much that we get sick of that lonely feeling of solitude without Him and realize that its Him that we need to love.

Then once we realize it’s Him we need, we encounter Him in such a way, that we make Him King of our heart. We marry Him.

Issue is Self

Heart’s response is Surrender

Reward is the King takes His place in our garden

1. Secondly in Ch 5 in the Transforming Love Poem, that we are madly in love with Him. But then the King asks us for one last thing.

*Will you wear my burden/stigma/shame on your heart for me?*

And we see that this proposal causes a deep shaking in the heart because we cannot separate in our hearts the difference of what He is asking us to do (humility, carrying the cross/persecution that leads to eternal rewards) from where we came from (suffering, pain, sorrow, death). because at a human level the effects are the same. Spiritually what Jesus demands is faith in that what He offers is eternal. He is asking for our hearts allegiance and the price in this satan run world it looks like the worst mistake on paper. But the Father offers proof, and its in the form of spiritual connection through intimacy.

And that’s what we will continue to explore:

1. **First the New Commendation**

The moment we accept to where His Stigma, to live a life like He lived, we can expect to receive commendation from the Father.

In the next few verses we see an amazing display of an spontaneous expression of satisfaction with the bride.

So I need to remind you of the theme of Song of Songs, which is primarily developing a union as we take a step in the right direction. The objective of *union is communion,* and communion is developed only by identifying oneself in the other.

The blue print of Love is that as we (bride) starts to see that she is transforming into the very character of the King (Jesus). Likewise, Jesus sees Himself in His bride.

The end state is a rejoicing Jesus, because He sees Himself in her (you).

This process is going from the state of a believer/saint to the state of being the Bride.

Let’s explore this:

***4“You are as beautiful as Tirzah, my darling, As lovely as Jerusalem, As awesome as an army with banners. (6:4)***

He is making a statement, pointing out that she is free from her self-seeking nature.

He calls her ***beautiful as Tirzah,*** Tirzah means delight and favorable. It was also the capital of the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the location of the King’s residential palace.

Imagine Jesus saying to you, *“You are beautiful, because you have made a place for me in your heart for me”*

Jerusalem is the place where God and man lived together. When John saw the “New Jerusalem” he called it a Holy City and said this in Rev 21:2 , ***2And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.***

This not only speaks of the inhabitation he intends to have with me and you, but it also speaks to our heavenly position He sees in us at this point in our transformation.

***5Turn your eyes away from me, For they have confused (overcome) me…. (6:5a)***

***Turn your eyes from me; I can’t take it anymore! I can’t resist the passion of these eyes that I adore. (TPT)***

This is just a poetic expression not from us to Him……No this is from Him to Us.

Let this sink in for a second. Jesus says to you…My Beloved , ***Turn your eyes from me; I can’t take it anymore! I can’t resist the passion of these eyes that I adore***

The burning Jesus has for us, has no comparison. The idea that this world has created a place in the heart of man that questions the very nature of “is he even real”. It is because Satan has tried and been successful in creating a separation in relations with Jesus by overwhelming us with superficial everything and in abundance.

You know why we don’t see the Signs and Wonders today that we see in the books of Acts.

Because very few people have fully surrendered their hearts to get a picture of Jesus.

It’s this love, this expression that overcomes the grave. We don’t see healings YET because many of us are yet at a place where we become undone like we see here for each other.

See the world would have you think, surrender your heart, and Jesus’ response would be “it’s about time”

The truth is this right here…we surrender, and we ravish Him completely.

This is all the proof I need to give it all up, His heart make me want to have His heart.

***Your hair is like a flock of goats That have descended from Gilead. 6Your teeth are like a flock of ewes That have come up from their watering place, All of which bear twins,
And not one among them has lost her young. 7Your temples are like a slice of a pomegranate Behind your veil. (6:5b-7)***

In a complete ravished heart, He has the ability to speak words of life to us, even still!

It is difficult to comprehend how deeply He loves you and How deeply He wants us to be His bride.

Just when you think you have been perfected, He releases an aspect of Himself that shows us how imperfect we are. And that is not because He is not satisfied with us, it’s the opposite. He Loves us for us that as we take a step into Him, He reveals another that goes deeper into Him.

Beloved, this process will take all eternity long.

***7so that in the ages to come He might show the [***[***k***](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Ephesians+2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29224k)***]boundless riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. (Eph 2:7)***

We will never stop becoming more like Him, and every step we take, we are a better person than the one in the previous step.

This verse here is repeating some of the same vows the bridegroom tells His bride on the wedding day in CH 4.

***There are sixty queens and eighty concubines, Andyoung women (Virgins) without number; (6:8)***

This verse is super important in what it reveals, and it tells a picture that breaks His heart.

The distinctions made here by Jesus is the level of surrender that mankind is willing to make. Jesus paints a picture of not many getting it.

***14For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few. (Mt 7:14)***

This scripture is very Solomon esq. Solomon is a prototype of Jesus, and while he did a horrible job of being holy and without sin, its equal in that in Matthew 24.. when Jesus likens to be watchful for a thief comes in the night. It has little do with thieving and more to do with unexpectedness.

So here this picture has little to do with the numbers of people, but the varying degree by which we experience Jesus.

So here we see how this verse correlates with Mt. 7:14

This is a picture of the degree that we know Him.

**Are we categorized in three sections? In His Eyes?**

For the sake of Christianity at large, I hope so, there is room for a lot more scrutiny.

***9But my dove, my perfect one, is unique: She is her mother’s only daughter; She is the pure child of the one who gave birth to her. The young women saw her and called her blessed, The queens and the concubines also, and they praised her, saying, (6:9)***

The Holy Spirit here desires us to know one thing, it’s the Fathers desire that we see that those who fully satisfy the Lord’s heart are uniquely identified.

It does not limit to just one person, but one state. A place of spiritual fullness only for those who come and regarded as “only ones” in the eyes of the Lord.

Beloved, this is meant for you. Each and every one of us are destined with the one tool to make this happen. It’s called “choice” and if you choose this surrendered life of making Him priority in all things, you come to this place.

This is for you! He wants you!

1. **Secondly, Her Glory**

 **10‘Who is this who looks down like the dawn, As beautiful as the full moon, As pure as the sun, As awesome as an army with banners?’ (6:10)**

A chorus of praise!! These are questions that highlight four aspects of her life in the Lord.

This is a challenge to less mature believers to think, by the transformation within, the Spirit pokes at the hearts of those that are not here.

**Like dawn –** speaks to a rising without notice in God. It’s a new morning through Grace. ( remember Grace is the ability to do something you cannot do alone) so as we surrender , transform, what the standards of this world says should take years if not generations, in God, by pouring out Grace can unfold in a matter of seconds.

**Full moon-** this is all about radiance and beauty….we reflect the son

**Pure as the Sun-** absence of gloom and full of His light

**Banners-** Not only are you filled with hope, and glory. Not only do you have possession of an amazing inheritance. but also in relation to your enemies and to all your circumstances, a Bride is *super-abundantly triumphant.*

1. **Thirdly, we see her Humility**

***11I went down to the orchard of nut trees to see the plants of the valley, to see whether the vine had grown or the pomegranates had bloomed. (6:11)***

This is a picture of embarrassment. Sometimes we convince ourselves that we are not worthy. Even in such a progressed state.

*“You are not so advanced that you do not cast some backward glances at yourself.” Guyon*

Sometimes, though deserved, praise can play tricks on us. This picture of humility is sort of returning to the roots/foundations of where you started in God. To humble yourself, and recalibrate if needed.

***15Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a worker who [***[***g***](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=2%20Timothy+2&version=NASB#fen-NASB-29830g)***]does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth. (2Tim 2:15)***

1. **Fourth, there is Progress and Victory**

 ***13“Come back, come back, O Shulamite; Come back, come back, so that we may look at you!” “Why should you look at the Shulamite, As at the dance of the two armies? (6:13)***

The Bride here being called, maybe by the daughters of Jerusalem. And the answer is detailed out in Ch 7:1-5

Shulamite is the feminine word that means peace. This is an invitation by the Holy Spirit to come from under the veil and come into view , especially during these end days, so that other less mature might see what God has done in your life.

The Victory is embodied by “two armies” and this refers to Mahanaim in GEN 32:2, this is where Jacob (Israel) returned to the promise land, he entered at Mahanaim, the place where two camps of angels gathered. Camps in Hebrew means dance. So the dance that Jacob saw must have been exciting. In Exodus 15:20 and 1 Samuel 18:6 the dance was an expression of victory. And two in scripture represents witness or testimony.

So this last scripture should read:

Rise Up and Make your face know Oh Bride of mine, and what will we see, the testimony of angels through the dance of victory.

THIS IS AVILABLE TO ALL OF US!!!