

The Bride's Journey In The Song Of Solomon - 11  
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Back up to the Song of Solomon, and we left off at the end of chapter Two. And we left off, and I say in our journey, and I pray we all not just take heart, we rejoice how wonderfully the Lord knows us and how He has written us into the word, and the word into us. And I thank God that He saw us in this deep love in ages past before the foundation of the world, I thank God that the Holy Ghost is let us see that. Through Paul's gospel. That's how the Old Testament comes alive to you that it's not just stories, that this is type and shadow of everything that we've even seen coming forth and will come forth but we're so grateful to God tonight. We get to know a little bit about our walk, and we can say oh thank You God; been there, done that, in that, You're doing that praise God, we'll believe You, hallelujah. 01:06

But we left off in this journey, and the journey is the journey of the wife of the Lamb of God as the husband, and that's the journey we're on. And we left off with the bride saying I need a break. I need some space here, I need You to depart a little bit from me, and it's interesting how she says this in verse sixteen. She says my Beloved is mine, and I am His and that's so beautiful, it's wonderful. And I thank God that's on our hearts too, we have that praise, there's nothing wrong with that, I'm thankful that even gets more magnificent as we know as we go along in this that no, my Beloved is mine, and His desire, and I am my Beloved's and His desire is towards me. But I love to tell Him that He's mine. I love to tell Him praise the Lord that I am His, amen? We never get tired of that conversation with the Lord, but here she says to Him He feedeth among the lilies, and we've seen in the first two chapters He told her no, you're the lily. She's here telling Him You know I just want You to kind of focus on everybody else, that's wonderful, and He said no, no, no, I'm focused on you; I want you. I need you to understand this and I thank the Lord as we come in here, we want our brother and sister in Christ to win. This, we get that as much as for ourselves, and we're one in this as well. We know that, but we understand too that sometimes we can let good get in the way of God's best; we really can and we're thinking we're doing something for the good, and sometimes for the masses, and yet here we miss God's very best. 03:01

It's a Martha thing brothers and sisters. She was encumbered with many things, she was encumbered with those that are around her, she wasn't taking that better part, and you're His better part, He wants you and as much as we want others to go, or whatever it would be He wants you, and you go. And then I'll tell you what you'll be used for someone else to go; you know how that works. So here we are, she tells Him though in that next verse, until the daybreak, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of separation. Separate from me a little bit, give me a breather. And so, You know, the Lord, He said, you know, we can kind of have our own way? But He said you'll have leanness to your soul. 03:59

Now let's see what happens in chapter three verse one. There she is I'm just going to say that night. It wasn't just by night; it was that night. On my bed I sought Him whom my soul loves: I sought Him, but I found him not. That's how great the separation became very quickly, and the big thing about that is she's been in His bed since chapter one. Think of that. She's been in His bedroom chamber look at that, He took her into the bedroom chamber what verse was that? Verse four of chapter one. Huh. Verse sixteen of chapter one she's saying behold Thou art fair my Beloved, yea, pleasant: our bed. And now she's in her bed? I don't think the Lord has separate bedrooms; He's just got one that's His bedroom chamber. And I think this is, it makes me smile and to think how much He loves us, and we're not going to have it our way. He loves us, He's in first love with us and there's a lot required there, He wants that response, He's given us everything. And you know when you're found in your bed, I'll tell you what you won't be with the spouse; you won't. The only place the spouse is in His bedroom, and I thank God because she says here, I saw Him Whom my soul loves, I sought Him, I sought Him, I sought Him, but I found Him not. 05:49

I'll tell you what, I'm thankful for His chastening in my life, how about you? We've all been there, haven't we? And aren't you thankful your life does not set right without Paul's gospel; this is what this is about. It doesn't, He loves us like this. We can try to say well I'm going to, but see, God comes in and you're it. And it's like a Peter saying, but it's in a bigger way. Lord, where else we going to go? We have the heart of Paul, there is no other gospel, and sometimes that has to come truly encouraging yourself in the Lord, and He does the chastening. And I'm so thankful to God His love, His first love settles you down. It quits you flashing around, it quits the striving, it quits all of the I'm encumbered with so many things. Quit being encumbered with so many things, just get at His feet and focus. And so, I thank God it doesn't sit right unless we have that first love fellowship with the Lover of our soul. And I thank God, He makes it very clear here unless we are in His bed. This is the fervent love that Brother Paul had and its imperative brothers and sisters for our lives if we back down from that what happens is we begin to fold our hands, we begin to close just one eye. Eventually what happens we begin to lay down the crown, and God forbid that would be us. 07:38

And here's where it can lead to, and I think the Lord tells us this in many different ways. Turn on over to Revelation Chapter Two, and I think this is very important as the Lord, brothers and sisters the Lord's tarried, and yes that more would come into the bridal message thank you Lord. There're ones that are still coming into this, and we know this time is still available, we're not to the time that time shall be no more, but it didn't mean for us to just sit around and be stagnant. We should have the greatest of growth there has truly ever been. With the line upon line, and precept upon precept that has been given by, and you talk about the forefathers of our faith, those that we have marked that followed Paul as he followed Christ. I'm not going to say that they were a lot, but thanks be to God for the one's that we've had and the messages and the writings, and the encouragement. And then as we understand in the word of God it's not a competition, but we grow on. We grow on and it's not that there's more truth, the truth's the truth. The truth's all been

preached we understand this, but the depth of it and we needed to have a heart like a Joshua. Let me tell you something, Moses knew God; Moses knew God face to face as a friend. But Joshua got on over to the promised and he said as an old man there's more land to walk through, what are you doing? Caleb came out there, and he was after all of them. Let's take it now. At least her daughter listened, and she even got a double portion of what her daddy did. 09:25

Well, here's what this is all about. Let's read about this church of Ephesus, okay? In chapter two verse four. Well actually we'll just back up a little bit. Verse two, the angel of the Lord said to them I know thy works, thy labor, thy patience how thou canst not bear them which are evil: wonderful thing. Thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars: wonderful thing. Hast borne, and hast patience, and for My name's sake hast labored, and hast not fainted, wonderful, Nevertheless I have against thee, somewhat against thee, but it's against thee, and one thing because thou hast left thy first love. Alright? Thy has left thou first love. That word "left" is divorced; it translates it's divorced alright? I was going to ask you, what do you have to be to be divorced? Engaged? How about dating? Married, married. Just read it for what it is saints, alright? So, you have to be married. This Song Of Solomon that we are studying about ourselves this woman started. See, we catch her at a time where she has been told, courted, she has been the Rebekah at the well prior to chapter one, and has been given the proposal, and she has accepted it and says I'll go. That's why in chapter one she's already on this journey that's He taken her, let Him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth. 11:23

You don't fall in love with the Lord until you realize He's in love with you; do you get that? She didn't just fall in love with Him, she was I love with Him because He showed her, I'm in love with you. So, we pick up the Song Of Solomon that she knows, and let's just say in type and shadow and all that she gets Paul's gospel, she knows it's hers, she knows she's the wife of the Lamb of God, and she's on the racecourse to win Him, alright? To win Him, and what does that mean? What, you know all the action that we're doing? There's no action, you stand, and you withstand, and you having done all, you stand. It's all on Him. It's all on Him, we've been studying, rejoicing in this we're so thankful to God from the very type and shadow of the marriage of the ancient Hebrew culture it's all on the groom, he guarantees everything. She accepts Him as her husband, and he does all the rest. And all she does is just abide; abide, I'm his wife, is that enough? Amen it is, and I thank God for that, and it is everything. Is it enough to be the Lamb of God. Is it enough to sit still? Is it enough to be the lily that's arrayed with the fullness of the glory of God? Is it enough to receive mercy like that that you're a vessel of mercy of the exact extreme opposite of what you deserve to be clothed with all the riches of His glory? 13:17

Is it enough, huh? No really is that enough. A little leaven will spoil it; a little leaven. A little leaven will have you in a place where you'll be found having your own righteousness, your self- righteousness which is of the law. That's not His wife, His wife is a vessel of complete mercy saints. Now, I'm married, I've got a husband alright; get

over it yeah, there's neither male nor female. Get over it, I've got a spouse, He's keeping everything for me. I just hold that love fast, that crown, that shared glory with Him that He's already won for me, that He'll perform for me, that He'll keep for me, that He'll accomplish for me, that He'll perfect for me. And we will give the more earnest heed to the things which we had heard lest at any time we should let them slip. We're sheep saints I get it, I get it. But sometimes pray. 15:18

Now, brothers and sisters the Shulamite, this Song Of Solomon she's the wife. You have the crown, you're the readied wife for the Lamb of God, quit questioning His grace, quit doubting His mercy, take Him at His promises. I will perform the good work which I've begun in you, amen? Come on, where's Romans Eight, is it beating in your heart, is it real to you? Are you part of the whom He foreknew? Did He predestinate your life, or did He not get you, huh? All the way to glorified, now, you sure? Why wouldn't I want to take Him at all His promises, what do you think huh brothers? I want it all. He said we can have it all saints, what so you want from Me? You want it all? I want all of Him, full of Him. He did this for us on the cross that joy that was set before Him, and I'm going to finish it for you honey, I'm going to win it all for us. I am that I am, I know that that thing that I sent it to is going to accomplish. Did you hear Him tell that to you? Don't doubt me, I'll do it, you just walk by faith. Here, sit on that camel I sent the power of My might to minister to you constantly all the time. Listen ye that hath an ear, let him hear, amen? Alright. 17:23

So, you're the wife, you're just like Rebekah at the well praise God. You let Him put the bracelets on you, the earring. That earring was like a face ring that the wife's would wear; that was put on her, it meant she was married; done, finished praise God. Now we're on the journey to the husband alright? And thanks be to God you just load up for the ride, amen? You don't know how to get there but you know Who's taking you there, and you know it's not going anywhere else but there because that's where that message will take you. 18:00

The Shulamite is married to the Bridegroom in chapter one, and this is us. The wife said she'll go, and only the husband praise God I thank the Lord He's the only one that takes us to the bedroom chamber. She shares His bed with Him in chapter one verse sixteen; she calls it their own bed. They're married, this is very important brothers and sisters because I believe that they'll even be even more growth in your life as you see; as you see how much He loves you, as you see how mighty His grace is. When you see that when He saw you that you were highly favored that His love exceeded for you just like it was for Esther all the other women. She had the crown and the feast way, way into the first of that message of that book of Esther. She was already it, the reigning was there, she just grew into it, but she was already the choice. You're that choice. These aren't just stories; this is your life it's unfolding before you. It was already done; you're now living the manifestation of it. Praise God. 19:26

Now, and here's the reason, too many have left this grace. Too many like Paul said you ran well, who hath bewitched you, huh? It's the truth. Too many meetings are drying up, and the reason is it's because they're drying up in this bridal glory because they're not wanting to see more land, and when you don't want to go on and see the depth and the beauty of the Lord you begin to look to try to see the depth and the beauty of you, and that'll get you every time. You either go on to see more of Him or you start looking at you. The truth is the truth, but as I said earlier the depth of the mining of the truth are endless. And the beautiful thing I think is we're here tonight, we all relate to this, the joy unspeakable to the wife of the Lamb of God is to see even more glory, is it not? I mean isn't that and don't we kind of come and wonder Lord, what are You going to give us, what are You going to show to us, where You going to take us whether it's today to bible study, wherever it is, He loves you like that and God help us never to retreat saints. Don't ever separate ourselves to go sleep in our own bed. I was kind of chuckling about this, I remember Polly and I were not married very long, and I think we had our first disagreement so I was going to show her and so I went out to sleep on the couch. It lasted about a whole ten minutes, and I said this is really stupid, and I got back in our bed. So that's that, but see that's a young married one huh? That's a good bed, that's our bed.

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Now here's what the beautiful part, He's faithful; He's faithful and here it is, it's His faithful first love that kicks in, huh? It's His faithful first love that kicks in. What am I talking about, let's read verse two of chapter three. Alright, now come on. She sought Him, I sought him, I sought Him, but I found him not. I will rise now, okay, and go about the city in the streets, and in the broad ways I will seek him whom my soul loves. Boy, I'll tell you she's really on that isn't she? Verse one, Whom my soul loves; whom my soul loves, and here she is again, I sought him, but I found him not. The watchmen that go about the city found me: to whom I said, Saw ye him whom my soul loves? Some interesting stuff here brothers and sisters, this is very telling of our journey, and I pray we take note of this. Now she gets up to get Him, she rises up. In order for you to rise you got to feed, so she's feasting. You can't rise up; you have no strength without feeding. We're just like the prophet, so she's been taking the words, she's been encouraging herself in the Lord, and what has she encouraged herself in? His love. And I love Him, my soul loves Him. My soul loves Him, there's a longing, we're as you've heard the theme soul mates, we're spouses, I need to find my spouse, I need my Lover. My Lover, I need to find Him, I need to be with Him.

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This is, she's insatiable about this. But notice here she can't find Him at first and notice here she goes to these watchmen that can't help her. This is important saints; very important. This is showing that we can seek out council from ones that have an appearance that they know of the Bridegroom, but they didn't want Him, and they don't want you to want him; they don't, and they can be very subtle in this, and very tricky. They look like they could help, they appear godly but as we will find out these watchmen truly represent the legalist, they do. And in our time brothers and sisters, and I'm telling you in our time, I'm talking about us they can even be ones that know the bridal message, but

they still want to clip a pinky fingernail and they will defeat you. Now what do I mean by that, and I think this is important as well too because I think there's people that are younger that have come into the meeting that really don't understand this, and when you're quoting something that somebody else is quoting that they're saying something about something that's not necessarily in scripture, you need to understand what they're talking about. And Brother Hill would speak of clipping that pinky fingernail that didn't speak of salvation. Alright, and I heard that from someone and that's not what that meant at all. The pinky fingernail was someone who had run and run in the grace of God and had ran well, but they got to a point in their life that they thought that they needed to do something of themselves of their own doing, their flesh as small as it was to be made finally acceptable to be the bride. 25:23

It's either grace or it's works. It's either by His Spirit or it's your flesh, the two don't mix; they just don't. And that last little clip of the pinky fingernail, what Brother Hill was bringing out that'll cost you the crown. You don't want even a bit of a thought that something of your work, something that you need to refine your character. Let me tell you something, the Lord's in love with you; that's the changer, that's everything. I was expressing to a precious brother, you know he said but brother, you know you said you washed dishes for your wife because you're in love. Yes, but I don't wash them dishes to have her love me more; that would be manipulating. I don't want to manipulate my wife; I don't do stuff to manipulate the Lord to love me. His love, let me explain something to you. His love is full all the time, it's always been, it'll never change. You'll never get Him to love you anymore, He just does. You understand that? The things of my life that come forth He causes me to will and do of His good pleasure because of love; that's the motivation. It's not to be more acceptable, it's not to, and it's the same with you and I love this because like in Galatians Five and God willing, we'll be there in a couple weeks. I know we're going to be right back there. It's beautiful and it's needful. 27:32

Things come forth it's needful. But all throughout Galatians everything even in chapter five the warning is legality; it's all about legality, it's all about self-works and Paul comes to the point and he says they should be cut off, cut off, you understand that? Cut off. But then it says to not let this liberty to be an occasion of flesh to hurt my daughter. Once again, and it says right after that that the law we live under, the one law is love; is love. There is, there is a law that we live under, it's the law of love. There's a judgment of love; how much. I'm free, see it's the law of liberty. Where there is no law there is no sin. I was thanking my wife again today. He removed the sin in my life as far as the east is from the west, but He knew I still wouldn't get it. He said you know what, how about this one, He that's born of God cannot commit sin, neither can He sin. Okay, so He removed it and then He said now wait a second, I gave you My life, this is a whole new line, you're a whole new man and it's my life and it can't commit sin, neither does it, neither can it sin, okay? 29:22

But that wasn't enough either, He said I'm going to put you in the realm of grace, and where there is no law there is no sin. So, He removed it, He made me completely

sinless, I cannot sin, and He placed me in place where there's no law. What do you think? Why am I thinking about sin? Come on, amen. It's time to grow up isn't it saints the mature sons of God. Huh? Walk in it, walk in the Spirit, you're not under the law that's when you'll walk in the Spirit. You get it? And why do I not allow that by the grace of God, because the love of God in me, and the love of God in you we love one another. We don't want to hurt each other. We do though, we understand that, but it's love saints. Let's get it.

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Now, what happens here is like I said, these legalists they don't want her to go on. They look like they can help, but they can't because they don't want to. And we must be on the mark for the prize for the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. We must follow Paul. How do we follow Paul? We follow grace, we follow mercy, we follow the pureness of the word of his grace and that will build us up and give us an inheritance, the only thing among all them that truly are sanctified. And you'll find those as you go that way, you'll find those that magnify His mercy. And later on, in this, you know what you really find out, those watchmen they kind of can be subtle with it but those true colors come out; they assault her. They do everything they can to keep her away from this, but I'll tell you what even though they're opposed to the perfect all mercy bridal love, love wins; always wins praise God. When you're the Lord's He' going to do it, and He will.

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Now, and thanks be to God we're into verse four now; oh thanks be to God. It wasn't long, we just go after the stuff. Huh? Come on. I'm not looking to someone to get it for me, I'm not looking to the watchmen that look like they might be able to get me there, He loves me, I'm there, hallelujah. And you know what? She quits playing with feelings, she quits striving, it's grace alone, she's not doing this in her brain anymore; I love Him, and time's running out and I want to be in this fellowship, huh? And this is what's so beautiful, It was but a little that passed from them, but I found Him whom my soul loved: I held Him, and would not let Him go, until I had brought Him into my mother's house, and into the chamber of her that conceived me. Let's get the love back on, that's the whole point. This is my spouse. This is you know I even thank the Lord for that type in my natural relationship with my wife. I hate when stuff gets in the way. I have a good time with her, we have such fun and I'm thankful that man, and you know how it piles up saints and it's like my goodness we got to get back to love.

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We didn't get married to bicker. We didn't get married to you know, and I tell sweet kids all the time remember this, you didn't get married to have car payments, or a big house, you got married because you love one another, you have fun together. You're two little young roe hearts. By the grace of God don't lose that. That's why the Lord said cling to thy wife of thy youth, and I thank God for this encouragement for her and in verse five she says, I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds' feet of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake love, till He please. I just want to love Him. Don't bug my first love, but you got to set those boundaries. The boundary is you just go after Him and you need to as they say put the foot down. Hold it fast saints, cherish it; that's when you really love somebody too. If you loved your family enough, your friends enough

to say I'm going and I love you, and I love you enough to tell you. I love you enough to tell you, you can't be distracted. I love you enough to tell you saints it's got to be grace. You can't give your ear to hear that stuff. You'll get silly real quick. 35:41

It'll always feel good to try to do something, we all know that. We've been there, we've been there, this is our journey but there's a leanness and I thank God, He's shoots it in so fast. It just shakes me, you're my lover, stop it. We have such fun together, don't do this. Pleading with Him, just let me love You; Just love me. Now, that's what wins, loving His appearing. Loving His appearance, not being distracted with others, not loving my appearance. Huh? You catch that? Loving His appearing, not loving my appearance? Oh yes. See, Pharisees love what they look like where the worshipper just loves His feet. And it's interesting, the Pharisee really was disturbed about what the worshipper looked like, but it's interesting Jesus only had eyes for the worshipper. How many different ways do I have to tell you I love you? You know what I love, I love mercy. How many ways does He have to tell us it's mercy, it's grace. Huh? It's here saints, it's just right out here and you have to deny it; you do. 37:32

Now, she's back right back there in the first chapter back in first love. You know what she is back into? She sees that she don't need to toil around and to strive, get caught up with others, all those kinds of things because that'll just take you away, we know how easy that is. But she's back to being as what He called her early on, the lily; she's not toiling. Nope, I'm just loving., I'm just here. Praise God, I just got all the DNA, I've got the Lord of all, I'm just the lily, and He's planted me where? Where I will receive what I need. I was looking at my flowers today. I see they're Polly's flowers, but I get them too. But she goes out there and she plants them where they need to be, and there they are again. Every year, boom. Boom, just beautiful. Don't look like they're going, but there they are. And here they're starting to come up and they're starting to bulb and soon begin to blossom all that beauty; all that lily planted right in the exact spot it needed to be. Well, first of all it had all the DNA, right? I probably didn't have to go out there and yell at it how it needed to look Now you got to keep this pedal. You go to be red and, it's all there, it's in the DNA; lord of all. Born lord of all, all there in the DNA, right? 39:19

And then thanks be to God planted where it would receive all the sun and the water, and all the carrying that it needs just standing there. And all I'm doing is receiving everything that is freely given, amen? How wonderful it is, I've been planted in a ministry of Paul's gospel; that's where lilies are planted. That's where the lily is planted, amen and it receives everything it needs praise God. Listening, oh yes listening, receiving all of those nutrient's hallelujah grows up unto Him in all things. So, we're His workmanship, you think she realizes that? I just need to get back to her loving my first love. This is what it is. This is where we just see, the heart of the husband He trusts in her; there's a rest and why? Because she's resting, He's got it all. You know that, and I appreciated that so much about my wife, not that I didn't appreciate that about my mom, that same type that they had confidence in their husbands, that we'd go out and do what we needed to do,



and I understand different households work differently and things, I'm just giving you a type of what God had given to me. 41:08

But it made my heart rest that she could have that confidence. She wasn't asking me, and in my faith and different things of that nature with that and I thank God it was just His grace, but it's a type and it's a shadow and I'm so thankful that I rest. Like we started is His bridal love enough? Is it enough? Is it enough that He says you're my wife that I sent the Holy Ghost to tell you I mean, I want to marry you, just you. You're the one that was sitting there at the well, I just want you. Matter of fact We're ready to take you and I got, it's not just an engagement, I'm giving you all the wedding garment, I'm going to put you on the wedding train, you're going to come to Me and I'm going to meet you; we're going to meet in the air. That enough? You see what I'm saying? It's got to be and it's more than enough, isn't it? We're going to be like Him in the fullness, in the stature, in the measure of him. It's going to be revealed that glory saints, and it's the building of all of this word of His grace. Know it, thank Him for it, and just rest. Amen? Alright, I think that's enough tonight. Let's stand and be dismissed. 43:13