

The Bride's Journey In The Song Of Solomon – 15
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Open our bibles tonight Song Of Solomon Chapter Four, and aren't you glad how He assures you, Christ in you, the hope of glory? Really, how He assures us. This is this journey in, and this is our journey, the bride's journey through the Song Of Solomon, and all He does is encourage us in such exceedingly abundantly above all we ask or think ways, and I thank God it's all the beauty of His grace. All He's pointing out is the magnificence of the glory of His mercy in our lives. He's pointing out what He has chosen, He's pointing out I'll be gracious to who I'll be gracious. He's gracious to His bride, amen? He is merciful to His bride. What mercy He's given to us, praise God? And then it is, it's the most extreme and magnificence of mercy is who we are. That's why by His grace we are the vessels that are prepared afore unto glory. We're the vessels praise God that He truly has clothed with all the riches of his glory. This is what we're reading, this is in action, this is Song Of Solomon, His songs singing to us, this is our song. Thanks be to God they wrote those things for us, even the song remember that. 01:40

Don't think that any of it wasn't written for you and we thank God how He assures us this. He assures us brothers and sisters that, and I say we because that's who she is, it's we, we're blameless, we're beautiful, we're ravishing to Him, we're holy, we're righteous. And you think how many ways can He tell us that we are perfect in Him, perfect to Him praise the Lord? I mean if you read this description of this woman in the Song Of Solomon wouldn't you say if you relied upon the King's description, she's perfect. Is there anything that He points out about her that is wrong with her? Nothing, not to Him.; not to Him, come on. He's not there, I don't see this guy with a club just waiting for her to make a mistake and smack her, huh? Sitting there saying well, you got to get this right, and you got to get that right. He never says that. He just keeps telling her I love you; you are so incredible; see yourself as I see you. Isn't that the whole word of God, praise God? 03:14

But brothers and sisters from chapter one, verse one He's always seen you only that way; only that way. By the grace of God brothers and sisters only the bride knows this. This is something only she knows, we are going to go through this, the watchmen don't know this, the daughters of Jerusalem don't know this, the little sister doesn't know this. But the bride knows this because by grace only the bride has that complete faith in His love promises. Do you have complete faith in promises of His love to you? I believe you do, or you wouldn't be here. You'd say I don't want that, that doesn't make sense to me, that's not how religion works, that's not what my denomination has told me. that's not what I grew up in. Hear the word of God by the Spirit. I want to hear Him; this is hearing Him, and you can't deny what you're hearing from Him here can you? You can't, all His desire is for you. And all His desire is for you and me to remain and abide and grow and enjoy all this grace. I mean, all this all-sufficient grace that has been given to us for

everything. It's going to meet every need that He's lined up before the foundation of the world, it's going to meet every issue, every anything we ever face, we come out as He has told us, we are more than conquerors. 04:59

Now you got to really put that in context what this, more that conquerors through Christ Who loved us. Praise God, this is the one Whom He foreknew, He predestinated. So that's why you're more than a conqueror. You're not only going to win, you won because of Him. And I know sadly there's people of God that don't want to hear that. And on Sunday if the Lord tarry it's going to be laid out in such a fortress you better get ready because I believe on Sunday it said that the Spirit is ready. So, what you relying on huh? I want to go with what's ready, how about you because I know my flesh will never, never be ready. If you're waiting for your flesh to be ready, you might as well just go ahead and say well I missed it, but the Spirit isn't trying to get ready, isn't going to be ready, it's ready, alright? 06:16

Now, He want us to know how and what He thinks, and then I'll tell you what happens is we receive His mind. Before we start the Song Of Solomon I want to jump over to Jeremiah. You know this verse, you love it, but now know it in context to what God has been laying out for us and understanding how He sees His lovely wife. That's you and in Jeremiah Twenty-nine Verse eleven it says for I know the thoughts that I think toward you. Now, think of that what we're reading in the Song Of Solomon. I know the thoughts that I think towards you, matter of fact I told you all of them. This isn't something that I'm hiding, this lover of our soul does not hide His love from us. He is the definition of I wear my heart on My sleeve; I've given it to you so we can say amen. I know the thoughts I think toward you, I know your thoughts toward Me; you know His thoughts toward you saith the Lord, and what is it? it's thoughts of piece. Now I want you to think about that. What brings peace? Grace, and that is, its love, it's all those things but think of the Apostle Paul, grace and peace be unto you and you know you'll never have peace without what first? Grace, it has to be grace. It can't be works. Works will never bring you peace. Works will always have you unrest. It'll always have you concerned. Careful for things instead of casting all your cares upon Him. Alright? 08:10

I know the thoughts that I think toward you saith the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil to give you an expected end. What gives you your expected end? His thoughts toward you. What's going to give me my expected end? My song in Song Of Solomon. That's His thoughts toward me, that's my expected end; isn't that glorious praise the Lord? Then shall you call upon Me, and you shall go and pray unto Me, and I will hearken unto you, and you shall seek me, and find me when you shall search for me with all your heart. When you hear Him in the Song Of Solomon you know what happens? You search Him with all your heart because you know you have His. You pant after Him, this Song Of Solomon is all of this wonderful Jeremiah 29:11, isn't it? it is. It's just everything in there for us. 09:19

His mind is our expected completion and ending; His thoughts, not mine. His thoughts, not mine, My thoughts, what I think toward you is going to give you that, not mine, not my doubts and fears, His assurance, His love, His purpose. He chose you because He loved you. We can go right over, and you know let's just go back, let's let the Lord put this back together for us. Romans Eight, I guess it is a bible study. Just head right over there, verse twenty-eight, our life, our promise. How wonderful this, Brother Tim brought out all those promises; promise, promise, promise, well here's your promise and here's the promise that you know. You know this so don't deny what you know because God tells you right here you know this. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose. For whom, this is you, He did foreknow, He also did predestinate. See, He didn't just foreknow you and say I know what you're going to do, see you. You are His. He made you; He formed you, He knows your thought afar off, He knows your down setting, He knows your uprising; He's done everything because you are everything to Him. 11:00

You are His, for whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed, the same, to the image of his Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover, whom He did predestinate, them He also called: and whom He called, them He also justified: and whom He justified, them He also glorified. Then, what shall we then say to these things? If God be for me, who can be against me? I'm His choice, I will perform the good work which I begun in you I will accomplish, it will please me; He's God. He's God, He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things; He's going to give you all things for this, and He has. Alright? Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect, it is God that justifies. It's just too good. It's just so beautifully, wonderfully good. 12:24

So, brothers and sisters His mind is our expected completion and ending. And again, what results when we see ourselves as He describes us, we realize that nothing is more beautiful to Him than us that we are everything to Him. He is everything to us, and we are everything to Him. And now He's going on here as we go on with verse ten. He's completely enamored with her, and the thing is, is you'll notice this, He is completely enamored with her and all through this Song it never changes, He never changes. Now she and we have our ups and downs, but you know one thing about the husband? He doesn't He doesn't have bad days, He doesn't have His moments; He just doesn't because that's Who He is, and what matters is His love, that's what matters. 13:31

Now, let's read verse ten together of chapter four, here He goes again. How fair is thy love, my sister, my spouse! how much better is thy love than wine! and the smell of thine ointments than all spices! Now, this is so beautiful because He says how beautiful is thy love, your love My sister, My spouse. You're married to me, you're my spouse, you're My wife, and we are married to Him now. And those that are truly in the bridal company know this. You don't doubt this, you know this. But now, isn't this beautiful, it is her love and I love this. He knows and tells you how you love Him, He tells you what you know, and now He's telling you how you love Him. Come on listen to it. How beautiful is

thy love, it's glorious, He knows your heart better than you do. I love this, Jesus not only tells you He's in love with you, but He tells you that you're in love with Him. And why wouldn't it be that way because He's God and He knows, and it thrills Him because this was the purpose of that grace. This whole thing, you'll get a whole double portion of this on Sunday if the Lord tarry. 15:14

Go to Revelation Four. Just to see what He knows, what He knows you will share with Him, what He knows you will be with Him. And as I will testify to this, and He knows everything, and those that will hear this and wrestle with it and say well I don't believe that and all that, that's right, you don't, and you're not predestinated for this. You're predestinated for something else, but not this. Those that know this and love this and believe this say that's mine. That's mine, I don't doubt that. He gave me not just the knower, but He gave me the believer and I yield to it. I yield to it, and I can't help but yield to it; I love to yield to it, it's everything and I thank Him for it. And the love that He loves us with, it's so outstanding. 16:22

In Revelation Four, Verse Nine here we are. The four living ones, the bridal company, and when us the bride give glory, we are going to give Him this. When we are there to give Him His glory, that's us because it's the glory that shall be revealed in us, the glory that shall be revealed in us. And when we give glory, we give Him that and honor, and thanks to Him that sat on the throne and lives forever. Here's the friends of the Bridegroom, here's the full overcomers of the Old Testament that are round about us, and the four and twenty elders they fall down before Him that sat on the throne and worshipped Him that liveth forever, and ever, and they cast their crowns before the throne, and what do they say? Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive her. Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory, she just gave You it, she is it. Thou art worthy O Lord to receive glory and honour, and power. See, He takes that throne because He has His wife; she gives Him that power, yes she does because God ordained that. That's the plan of God, the Son will not take the throne. He's at the right hand until He has His wife, His joint heir. He will never take that throne as a soul heir, He will have His joint heir; joint heirship with her. Thou art worthy O Lord to receive glory and honour. 18:10

Now, get this, and honour and power: for thou hast created all things for thy pleasure, for the intimate fellowship, that's why it was created they are and were created. Everything was made, everything was created for Him to receive her. That's why we wrap this right back to Ephesians One that He saw us before the foundation of the world in love, and then creation started, and then it all started to unravel. The whole purpose of it all. Now, don't blame me, and you can tell them that because you say the same thing that I'm His favorite. Oh, that burns dumbheads but never mind. Now, God help us from ever being a dumbhead. 19:23

Now, this is so beautiful because He tells her you're loved and how you love Me is better than wine. Jesus not only tells you again that He loves you, but that you're in love with Him. And nothing's more intoxicating, or an ecstasy to Christ than her. It's better as

I mentioned than wine, and once again how did she receive this love from Him? How? by listening and believing in His love, and His loving amorous words for her. Anybody here ever were surprised that maybe even the person you're sitting next to tonight actually loved you, you were shocked? Now you don't have to act, you can tell me later you know brother, that was right, but I can't let her know that. Brothers, get up here, we're all insecure. And sisters you got here first because you know the same thing. But this fellow, He loves us, He does, He adores you and I thank God that we can enjoy how much we're loved together. 20:53

Now, she's married, we are the Mary at His feet worshipping, and see when we bring this to Him this thanksgiving in our hearts we anoint Him. We anointed Him, we're anointing Him tonight. And as that worshipper as we know that word worship means to draw nigh to fervent love to kiss Him; that's what we're doing tonight and in verse eleven He tells you this. Thy lips, O my spouse; isn't that glorious again? Listen to what He calls you, My spouse. My lips, O My spouse, just take it. Don't wrestle with it, just take it. Thy lips, O my spouse, drop as the honeycomb: honey and milk are under thy tongue; and the smell of thy garments is like the smell of Lebanon. He's so sweet to us. I know how I feel about myself sometimes, but that doesn't matter, that's not even in the equation. I believe we started off with Jeremiah, I know My thoughts toward you. Just always remember that in life. What matters is what he thinks, and if I'm meditating with His mind, and what He thinks I'll tell you what, it's well, it's just well. I don't go by what my eyes see, what my flesh feels, I go by what the promises of His word are to me and it's impossible for Him to lie. He's not telling you a lie; He's telling you who you are in Him. 22:55

Now, we love this because as He tells you here, He loves us to kiss Him. And you think about how this all began was with Him kissing us. And now He's telling us I love when you kiss me. I love hallelujah that we reciprocate to Him, and I want you to notice that. When we know and believe in His love for us, we transform and grow completely up unto Him in all things, and we respond to Him as He's always responded to us. We bring Him back what He brings to us. So, He started with kisses, and now we're kissing Him. He started in love with us and now He's showing us and telling us you're in love with Me. He knows His masterpiece, and I thank God He's confident not in me, He's confident in His grace and He knows that that's what's in me. He knows that this vessel did not make vain the grace that was bestowed upon me. How much grace do you want? all grace. Amen, He gave it all, I want to have it all. All, and I need it all. And I thank God in not making any of that vain, no matter what I ever face, no matter how much spiritually you would say man you're hitting it out of the ballpark, how much spiritually I didn't just get traded, I got fired. I want all that grace. And no matter whichever place I think I'm in it's well. It's well because He loves me, that's all that matters. 24:55

Now, notice here our garments, and I love the garments that we know that the wife has. She's clothed with the righteousness of saints. This once again is the complete working of His grace. I want you to think about that. The wife is clothed with the righteousness of saints. So, that complete working of grace that in Him He has made us

the very righteousness of God in Christ Jesus we have grown up fully knowing, desiring only to be found having His righteousness which is of God by faith. There's nothing sweeter smelling to Him than just enjoying what He has made you the very righteousness of God in Christ Jesus; the purity of it, the beauty of it, it's all Him. This, brothers and sisters, is His mercy that is describing her, and when mercy describes us let's go on over to Romans 9:23 this is what we know what we are to Him. 26:09

This is Romans 9:23 and this is again who we are. That He might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory. So, just in that little verse you know what He's telling you here that this was before the foundation of the world. You were prepared afore to that glory; it wasn't going to be anything but that for you; you were going to have that. The Lord knows, He knows who are His. He tells His disciples. He says I know who the Father's given Me, I don't pray for the world, I pray for them, and then within that let me tell you something the Lord knows. He knows those who will take whatever rank it's going to be. He knows that; He sees that, He supplies according to the faith that we'll meet Him with, and He does richly, and I thank God for that. And here that He's laid out for us that He may know the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had afore prepared unto glory. This is exactly what we're seeing here of us in our journey through the Song Of Solomon, because we know naturally speaking we are not any of that; zero, zero, and I can't even try to be that, nor would I want to try to be that because it's His grace that's already appointed me for that, and he sees me in that, and He encourages my life in that. And in that confidence that I have in Him and His grace in the working of His grace that transforms me. 27:57

It gives me a joy brothers and sisters, and you have that joy, I know you do. You have a joy unspeakable and full of glory. You have a hope and an abounding hope that's all by the Holy Ghost because that's Who ministers to you all the way on this camel ride that you know goes one place to the arms of the bridegroom, right? Rebekah wasn't going you know to some other cousin. It wasn't as Brother Hill used to say it wasn't one degree off. You go with Paul's gospel. You'll get there, you'll get right there. And Paul's gospel is wonderful things, but it's one main thing which is everything and that's grace. And in that grace praise the Lord, and in that ministering you begin to appreciate, and love, and stand for that the only thing about my life would be His righteousness; His, and He tells me exactly what His righteousness is not and that's the self-righteousness that is attempted to be obtained by the law, alright? So, I know that's not the mark, that's not the mark and if I'm going after that mark, I'll assure you're not just one degree off, you're a hundred and eighty degrees off. You're going in the exact extreme opposite direction. 29:45

And what's so sad is that the enemy can have us blind to something so simple, something so clear how, why, where, anywhere in this is it obtained with any of my effort? it isn't, it's all the power of Christ. That's the purpose of infirmities in our life that the power may be of Him, and not of us. Any time and I thank the Lord ever since Jesse trying to get His hands on this life, or any other life oh Lord, stop it, knock it off. We're vessels of mercy, we're men and women of God, we need to wake up. Much is required of more

grace. But we thank the Lord here together and we give Him all the glory that this smell that comes up to Him from this righteousness that He's made us He can't control it. He can't help but express the fulness of His heart in love to us and how He sees us.

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Now let's go on to verse twelve through fifteen. Let's keep going here. A garden enclosed is my sister, my spouse. Look at how He keeps telling her, now you're My spouse, you're My spouse, you're My spouse, you're My spouse and notice here, sister and spouse, it's a double portion praise the Lord. That's how it is. It says A garden enclosed is my sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed. Thy plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; camphire, with spikenard. Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices. A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon. My oh my what He sees in you, this is everything, He just keeps, I mean really, we're just everything to Him. You're His joy as we rejoice, you are the joy that was set before Him that He endured the cross; a joy that was set before Him that He endured the cross. This is the joy that was set before Him that He endured the cross. This is My love, and this isn't the end, I'm finishing it but it's to have her. It's to have her hallelujah. 32:48

Now, our garden isn't that glorious? A garden enclosed is my sister, My spouse. We're His garden. We're His, once again we're His workmanship, amen? He's the one that wills and does of His good pleasure in our lives, He is God and He is the lover of our soul. The wife is the vessel only for His use. Notice, a spring shut up, a fountain sealed; that's who she is to Him. Amen. See, that's the heart of the Mary. She wasn't trying to do for everybody else, He's going to share her here in a minute. In a few verses we're going to read about how He shares her that others will feed upon her, but that never happens first. You want to be useful. You want to be a true vessel adding to the usefulness of the husband, He's got to shut you away first. It doesn't come the other way. As He said, Martha, you're encumbered with many things, she's got the best part, leave her alone. Think about how that sweet little Mary at His feet, has fed us, the feasting we've had upon that sister. Isn't that the truth? Thank You Jesus. This is what grace does. See, we're prisoners of His love just as Paul, and notice again it's all these spices, all these scents, and what that speaks of in such hype is thanksgiving, thankfulness, just thankful, thankful, thankful. Mary at His feet she was thankful. 34:31

Thankful beyond with tears, anointing, you're everything, I just thankful how you love me. I can't do for You, all I can do for You in just thank You, and love You, and caress You. This is what sprung out of her heart. This is that last piece of the furniture in the tabernacle. This is that golden altar that was right there before you entered into the holy of holies, that worship of thanksgiving and brothers and sisters that is what we offer to Him; thank You for everything, thank you for your grace, and mercy and love that is giving me all things. We thank Him that we are His prisoner. Aren't you thankful? I'm thankful I'm His prisoner, He's saved me from myself; He did. And I thank God I'm a prisoner of

grace, I can't get out of grace. No, you can't. You can make it vain, but Christians you're in grace. You're in grace. 35:46

Now, what we have become to, and for Him is everything. Again, a fountain of gardens, fruitful beyond, living waters out our bellies, streams of lampros white glory, we're heaven to Him. Think of this, He's describing heaven, He's describing you. Amazing. As we get into that Revelation study again, I can't imagine what's going to be revealed in that. The feasting, the feeding, the feeding of the nation, oh vessels adding to the usefulness of the husband. 36:36

Now, here's what's so beautiful, here's what's so, so beautiful and we'll close this up tonight is what she wants from Him in verse sixteen. She says, Awake, O north wind; come thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my Beloved come into His garden and eat His pleasant fruits. This is so beautiful; she wants to be useful to Him and she gets this. It's going to come through suffering together with Him. It's going to come through the cold north winds to blow out the spices, it's also going to be from the furnace blast from the south winds, oh yes. It's all there but she wants more of it. This is Brother Paul as he said there in 2 Corinthians 12, if you want to turn there, or I can just read it to you. Brother Paul said this in Second Corinthians Twelve, Verse Nine he said, and He said unto me, Jesus speaking to Him Paul, My grace is sufficient for you, you don't need to try to lift yourself by your bootstraps Paul. Paul, you're never going to work that out in your flesh Paul, and I'm going to tell you why, I'm going to tell why you can't get rid of that Paul, that you can't fix yourself because if you could you'd miss it. 38:11

And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly, Paul says, therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. You want a Holy Ghost life? Alright, you sure now? You sure? Well go back and read verse seven where it came from. He said lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, and this is everybody here in this meeting; this is you, the abundance of revelation? this is you. Now let me tell you something you're not going to get by without this either. So, lest you should be exalted above measure; right? Come on because of the abundance of revelations there was given unto you the thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet you lest you should be exalted above measure; you should be exalted. Oh, I need to be a better Christian, I need to get this done. Why? What do you want to see about you, huh? Well, I want to show you how I overcame this, and I overcame that. Paul took care of that. He said if we're going to go into boasting this is how many times I've been shipwrecked, this is how many times I've been this, this is how many times I've been that ... nothing; nothing. 40:01

All of that, all by the grace of God but it's all about the one thing, I count all that stuff but dung, but for the excellency of the knowledge of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ that He would be glorified, He would be magnified that I would only be found having

His righteousness. So, Paul says, therefore I take pleasure in my infirmities, in my reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong. Only He can bring those things in our lives brothers and sisters that keep us lowly, needy desiring more mercy and that's where all the storing of the riches of His glory comes from and notice what's so beautiful. Let my Beloved come into His garden and eat His pleasant fruits. Remember how we said we'd bring to Him when He's brought to us? He feasts on you, and we've been feeding on Him, and we keep feeding on Him, but she is grown to a place He feeds on her. You talk about grace for grace. What is like Him, mean, you see? He's God, we'll never be God but what He has for us is the most precious thing to God. What He feasts upon on us is the type of desire of God. And I am so thankful that I am that for Him. And I am so thankful that He is God.

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Now, we'll close it there. Brother Hill would always say go sit under that tree and burp up, chew your cud. We are without excuse, aren't we? It's real, it's ours and I believe again only by the power of the Holy Ghost it's not just alive, it's abounding alive. I commend you saints, let's just stay on it. It's all to our benefit, isn't it? Amen. It's a glorious church without spot of wrinkle and it's all because of the blood of the Lamb. Amen. Let's stand and be dismissed.

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