

# Message Notes

The Wedding Night: Biblical Lovemaking

# Scripture Passages

(taken from the New International Version)

Introduction – “Passions are like a puppy”

1 Timothy 6:6-10. 17-19

Titus 2:11-14

Taking the Dog for a walk

## Today's Message: Letting the Dog off the Leash!! Song of Solomon 4:1-5:1

### Seven Set Free Passions

1. Enjoying one another without touching  
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Application – “Are you redeeming your passions?”

1 Timothy 6:17-19

<sup>17</sup>Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

<sup>18</sup>Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup>In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

Titus 2:12

<sup>12</sup>It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, up-right and godly lives in this present age...

Song of Solomon 4:1-5:1

<sup>1</sup>How beautiful you are, my darling! Oh, how beautiful! Your eyes behind your veil are doves. Your hair is like a flock of goats descending from Mount Gilead. <sup>2</sup>Your teeth are like a flock of sheep just shorn, coming up from the washing. Each has its twin; not one of them is alone.

<sup>3</sup>Your lips are like a scarlet ribbon; your mouth is lovely. Your temples behind your veil are like the halves of a pomegranate. <sup>4</sup>Your neck is like the tower of David, built with elegance; on it hang a thousand shields, all of them shields of warriors. <sup>5</sup>Your two breasts are like two fawns, like twin fawns of a gazelle that browse among the lilies. <sup>6</sup>Until the day breaks and the shadows flee, I will go to the mountain of myrrh and to the hill of incense. <sup>7</sup>All beautiful you are, my darling; there is no flaw in you. <sup>8</sup>Come with me from Lebanon, my bride, come with me from Lebanon. Descend from the crest of Amana, from the top of Senir, the summit of Hermon, from the lions' dens and the mountain haunts of the leopards. <sup>9</sup>You have stolen my heart, my sister, my bride; you have stolen my heart with one glance of your eyes, with one jewel of your necklace.

<sup>10</sup>How delightful is your love, my sister, my bride!

How much more pleasing is your love than wine, and the fragrance of your perfume than any spice!

<sup>11</sup>Your lips drop sweetness as the honeycomb, my bride; milk and honey are under your tongue. The fragrance of your garments is like that of Lebanon. <sup>12</sup>You are a garden locked up, my sister, my bride; you are a spring enclosed, a sealed fountain. <sup>13</sup>Your plants are an orchard of pomegranates with choice fruits, with henna and nard, <sup>14</sup>nard and saffron, calamus and cinnamon, with every kind of incense tree, with myrrh and aloes and all the finest spices.

<sup>15</sup>You are a garden fountain, a well of flowing water streaming down from Lebanon.

<sup>16</sup>Awake, north wind, and come, south wind! Blow on my garden, that its fragrance may spread abroad. Let my lover come into his garden and taste its choice fruits.

<sup>17</sup>I have come into my garden, my sister, my bride; I have gathered my myrrh with my spice. I have eaten my honeycomb and my honey; I have drunk my wine and my milk.

Eat, O friends, and drink; drink your fill, O lovers.

## 1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19

<sup>6</sup> But godliness with contentment is great gain. <sup>7</sup> For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. <sup>8</sup> But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. <sup>9</sup> People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. <sup>10</sup> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

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<sup>17</sup> Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

## Titus 2:11-14

<sup>11</sup> For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. <sup>12</sup> It teaches us to say “No” to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, <sup>13</sup> while we wait for the blessed hope – the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup> who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.







**Small Dog Leash (with Whipped Handle)**











# EASTER

Don't bother looking for eggs.







# SONG OF SOLOMON

DATING. MARRIAGE. SEX. ROMANCE. GOD.

# A Tale of Two Processionals



**Procession #1**  
**A Royal Wedding!!**  
**Song of Solomon 3:6-11**



# Procession #2

## A Royal Sacrifice



**HAYDON, Benjamin Robert** *Christ's Entry into Jerusalem*  
1814-20 Oil on canvas, 396 x 457 cm, Mount St Mary's Seminary, Cincinnati

# **The Wedding Night: Biblical, Passionate Lovemaking**

## **Song of Solomon 4:1**

<sup>1</sup>How beautiful you are, my darling!  
Oh, how beautiful!

Your eyes behind your veil are doves.  
Your hair is like a flock of goats  
descending from Mount Gilead.

## **Song of Solomon 4:2**

<sup>2</sup>Your teeth are like a flock of sheep just shorn,  
coming up from the washing.

Each has its twin;  
not one of them is alone.

## Song of Solomon 4:3

<sup>3</sup>Your lips are like a scarlet ribbon;  
your mouth is lovely.

Your temples behind your veil  
are like the halves of a pomegranate.

<sup>4</sup>Your neck is like the tower of David,  
built with elegance;  
on it hang a thousand shields,  
all of them shields of warriors.

## Song of Solomon 4:5-6

<sup>5</sup>Your two breasts are like two fawns,  
like twin fawns of a gazelle  
that browse among the lilies.

<sup>6</sup>Until the day breaks  
and the shadows flee,  
I will go to the mountain of myrrh  
and to the hill of incense.

## **Song of Solomon 4:7**

<sup>7</sup>All beautiful you are, my darling;  
there is no flaw in you.

## **Song of Solomon 4:8**

<sup>8</sup>Come with me from Lebanon, my bride,  
come with me from Lebanon.

Descend from the crest of Amana,  
from the top of Senir, the summit of Hermon,  
from the lions' dens  
and the mountain haunts of the leopards.

## Song of Solomon 4:9-10

<sup>9</sup>You have stolen my heart, my sister, my bride;  
you have stolen my heart  
with one glance of your eyes,  
with one jewel of your necklace.

<sup>10</sup>How delightful is your love, my sister, my bride!  
How much more pleasing is your love than wine,  
and the fragrance of your perfume than any spice!

## **Song of Solomon 4:11**

<sup>11</sup>Your lips drop sweetness as the honeycomb, my bride;  
milk and honey are under your tongue.

The fragrance of your garments is like that of Lebanon.

## Song of Solomon 4:12-15

<sup>12</sup>You are a garden locked up, my sister, my bride;  
you are a spring enclosed, a sealed fountain.

<sup>13</sup>Your plants are an orchard of pomegranates

with choice fruits,

with henna and nard,

<sup>14</sup>nard and saffron,

calamus and cinnamon,

with every kind of incense tree,

with myrrh and aloes

and all the finest spices.

<sup>15</sup>You are a garden fountain,

a well of flowing water

streaming down from Lebanon.

## **Song of Solomon 4:16**

<sup>16</sup>Awake, north wind,  
and come, south wind!

Blow on my garden,  
that its fragrance may spread abroad.  
Let my lover come into his garden  
and taste its choice fruits.

## **Song of Solomon 5:1a**

<sup>1</sup>I have come into my garden, my sister, my bride;  
I have gathered my myrrh with my spice.  
I have eaten my honeycomb and my honey;  
I have drunk my wine and my milk.

## **Song of Solomon 5:1b**

Eat, O friends, and drink; drink your fill, O lovers.

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**A Tale of Seven  
Passions Set Free!**

# Passion #1

Enjoying one another without touching

# The Song of Solomon Illustrated

(For our literalist friends.)

"How beautiful you are, my darling,  
how beautiful you are!

...Your eyes are like doves behind  
your veil...

...Your hair is like a flock of goats...

...Your teeth are like a flock of  
newly shorn ewes...

...Your lips are like a scarlet  
thread...

...Your temples are like a slice  
of pomegranate...

...Your neck is like the  
tower of David... built  
with rows of stones  
on which are hung a  
thousand shields...

...Your two breasts are  
like two fawns,  
twins of a gazelle  
which feed among the  
silies...

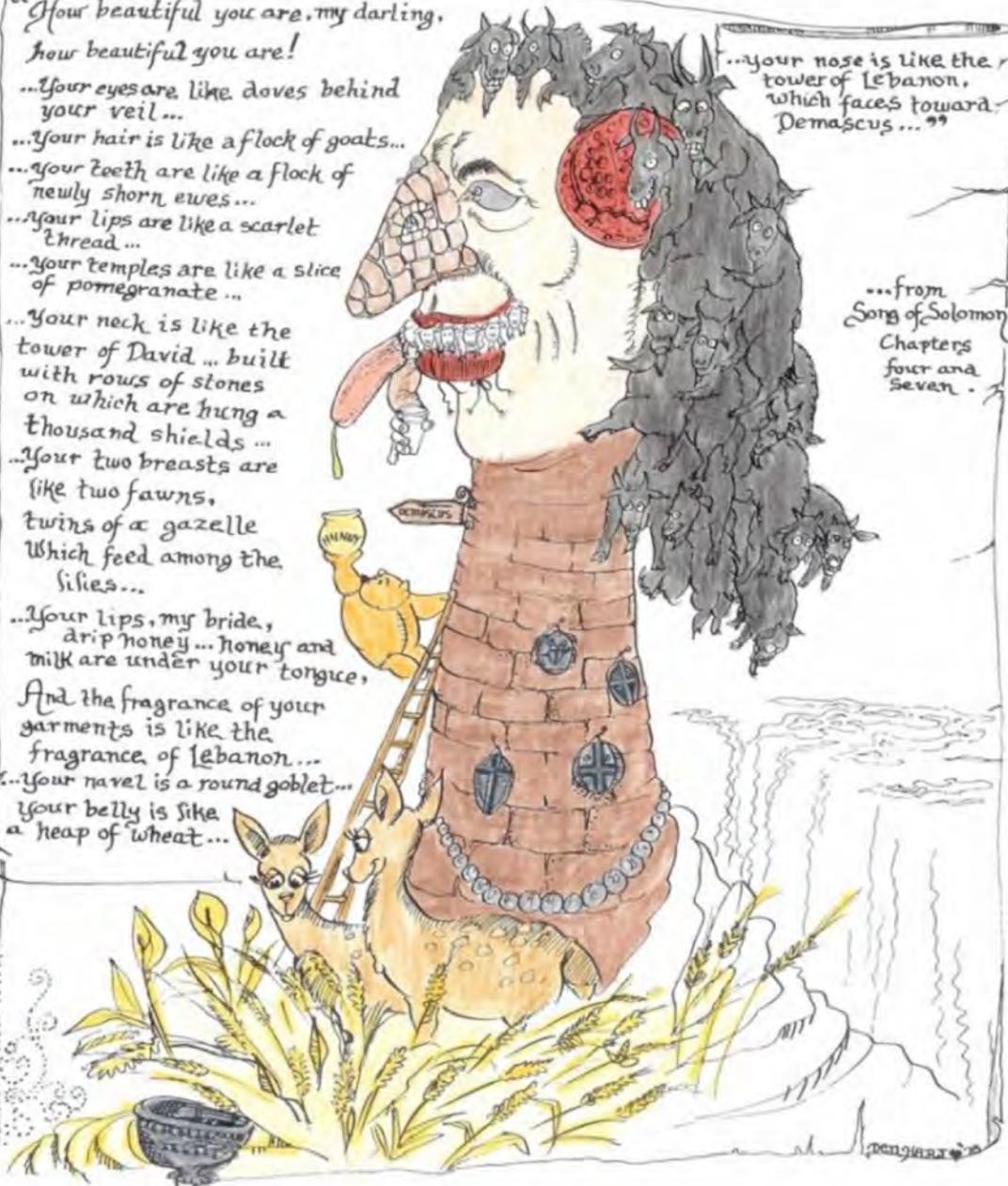
...Your lips, my bride,  
drip honey... honey and  
milk are under your tongue,

And the fragrance of your  
garments is like the  
fragrance of Lebanon...

...Your navel is a round goblet...  
Your belly is like  
a heap of wheat...

...your nose is like the  
tower of Lebanon,  
which faces toward  
Damascus..."

...from  
Song of Solomon  
Chapters  
four and  
seven.



# Passion #1

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### Song of Solomon 4:1

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Oh, how beautiful!

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Your hair is like a flock of goats  
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## Song of Solomon 4:2

<sup>2</sup>Your teeth are like a flock of sheep just shorn,  
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Each has its twin;  
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## Enjoying one another without touching

### Song of Solomon 4:3

<sup>3</sup>Your lips are like a scarlet ribbon;  
your mouth is lovely.

Your temples behind your veil  
are like the halves of a pomegranate.

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built with elegance;  
on it hang a thousand shields,  
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# Passion #1

## Enjoying one another without touching

### Song of Solomon 4:5-6

<sup>5</sup>Your two breasts are like two fawns,  
like twin fawns of a gazelle  
that browse among the lilies.

<sup>6</sup>Until the day breaks  
and the shadows flee,  
I will go to the mountain of myrrh  
and to the hill of incense.

*Her response to the “you are like a mare”  
comment in 1:9*

**Song of Solomon 1:12-14**

<sup>12</sup>While the king was at his table,  
my perfume spread its fragrance.

<sup>13</sup>My lover is to me a sachet of myrrh  
resting between my breasts.

<sup>14</sup>My lover is to me a cluster of henna blossoms  
from the vineyards of En Gedi.

# *Her Answer to His Proposal!*

## **Song of Solomon 2:8-17**

<sup>16</sup>My lover is mine and I am his;  
he browses among the lilies.

<sup>17</sup>Until the day breaks  
and the shadows flee,  
turn, my lover,  
and be like a gazelle  
or like a young stag  
on the rugged hills.

# Passion #1

Enjoying one another without touching

Song of Solomon 4:7

<sup>7</sup>All beautiful you are, my darling;  
there is no flaw in you.

## **Passion #2**

# **The Freedom to Release Your Heart**

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### Song of Solomon 4:8

<sup>8</sup>Come with me from Lebanon, my bride,  
come with me from Lebanon.

Descend from the crest of Amana,  
from the top of Senir, the summit of Hermon,  
from the lions' dens  
and the mountain haunts of the leopards.

# Self-Consciousness and Self-Confidence

## Song of Solomon 1:4c-6

How right they are to adore you!

<sup>5</sup>Dark am I, yet lovely,  
O daughters of Jerusalem,  
dark like the tents of Kedar,  
like the tent curtains of Solomon.

<sup>6</sup>Do not stare at me because I am dark,  
because I am darkened by the sun.  
My mother's sons were angry with me  
and made me take care of the vineyards;  
my own vineyard I have neglected.

## Passion #2

# The Freedom to Release Your Heart

### Song of Solomon 4:9-10

<sup>9</sup>You have stolen my heart, my sister, my bride;  
you have stolen my heart  
with one glance of your eyes,  
with one jewel of your necklace.

<sup>10</sup>How delightful is your love, my sister, my bride!  
How much more pleasing is your love than wine,  
and the fragrance of your perfume than any spice!

# Passion #3

## Realizing the Dream

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### Song of Solomon 4:11

<sup>11</sup>Your lips drop sweetness as the honeycomb, my bride;  
milk and honey are under your tongue.  
The fragrance of your garments is like that of Lebanon.

# Passion #4

## Desire with Respect

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### Song of Solomon 4:12-15

<sup>12</sup>You are a garden locked up, my sister, my bride;  
you are a spring enclosed, a sealed fountain.

<sup>13</sup>Your plants are an orchard of pomegranates  
with choice fruits, with henna and nard,

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and all the finest spices.

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**Passion #5**  
**We're done talkin'!**

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## We're done talkin'!

### Song of Solomon 4:16

<sup>16</sup>Awake, north wind,  
and come, south wind!

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that its fragrance may spread abroad.

Let my lover come into his garden  
and taste its choice fruits.

# **The Repetitive Chorus & Controlling Theme of Song of Solomon**

## **Song of Solomon 2:7**

<sup>7</sup>Daughters of Jerusalem, I charge you by the gazelles and by the does of the field: Do not arouse or awaken love until it so desires.

## **Song of Solomon 3:5**

<sup>5</sup>Daughters of Jerusalem, I charge you by the gazelles and by the does of the field: Do not arouse or awaken love until it so desires.

## **Song of Solomon 8:4**

<sup>4</sup>Daughters of Jerusalem, I charge you: Do not arouse or awaken love until it so desires.

# Passion #5

## We're done talkin'!

**Song of Solomon 4:16**

<sup>16</sup>Awake, north wind,  
and come, south wind!

Blow on my garden,  
that its fragrance may spread abroad.

Let my lover come into his garden  
and taste its choice fruits.

## Passion #6

**The Joy of True Sex with no shame or guilt**

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# The Joy of True Sex with no shame or guilt

### Song of Solomon 5:1a

<sup>1</sup>I have come into my garden, my sister, my bride;  
I have gathered my myrrh with my spice.  
I have eaten my honeycomb and my honey;  
I have drunk my wine and my milk.

# Passion #7

## Redeemed Passions Encouraged

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**Song of Solomon 5:1b**  
Eat, O friends, and drink;  
drink your fill, O lovers.

# Application:

Are your passions under godly,  
freeing, self-control?



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