

Song 7:10 I am my beloved's, and his desire is toward me. 11 Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages. 12 Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish, whether the tender grape appear, and the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves. 13 The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates are all manner of pleasant fruits, new and old, which I have laid up for thee, O my beloved.

Let's review what we have covered thus far in this wonderful book of the Song of Solomon. I. AN HOUR OF TROUBLE, 1:1-8 II. AN HOUR OF TEMPTATION, 1:9-11 III. AN HOUR OF TENDERNESS, 1:12–2:7 IV.AN HOUR OF TRUTH, 2:8-3:5 V. AN HOUR OF TALK, 3:6-11 VI.AN HOUR OF TOGETHERNESS, 4:1-5:1 VII.AN HOUR OF TESTIMONY, 5:2-6:3 VIII.AN HOUR OF TESTING, 6:4-8:4 A. Solomon's Flatteries Resound, 6:4-10 B. Solomon's Flatteries Rebuffed and Resumed, 6:11-7:9 1. His Flatteries Rebuffed, 6:11-13 2. His Flatteries Resumed, 7:1-9 a. His Bold Description of the Shulamite, 7:1-5 (1)Her Feet, 7:1 (2)Her Form, 7:2-4a

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 A believer who has experienced God's grace, is transformed from an arrogant, self-centered sinner, to a humble child of God, thankful for His love, mercy, and grace.

• Meekness, strength under control, typifies a believer's confidence, whether male or female.

 The Shulamite's submissive attitude is a cloak of sweet assurance in her relationship with her Beloved.

B. The Shulamite's Fidelity, 7:10-8:4

1. Her Assertions, 7:10

a. In Terms of Possession, 7:10a "I am my beloved's..."

 The Shulamite had assurance of her possession by her Beloved.

<u>Jn. 10:28</u> And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of my hand. <u>29</u> My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. <u>2 Tim. 1:12</u> "...for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

<u>1 Cor. 6:20</u> For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

<u>1 Cor. 7:23</u> Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.

b. In Terms of Passion, 7:10b "...and his desire *is* toward me."

<u>Heb. 10:22</u> Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

<u>1 Jn. 5:13</u> These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

2. Her Aspiration, 7:11-8:3

a. What She Wanted, 7:11-13

(1)To Be with Her Beloved, 7:11a "Come, my beloved..."

 In a healthy relationship, intimate fellowship is enjoyed, not endure.

Luke 10:39 And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word.

Jn. 11:32 Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

<u>Jn. 15:5</u> I am the vine, ye *are* the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

(2) To Flee with Her Beloved, 7:11b-13

(a) Somewhere to Go With Him, 7:11b-12a "...let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages. <u>12</u> Let us get up early to the vineyards let us see if the vine flourish, whether the tender grape appear, and the pomegranates bud forth..."

Mt. 13:38 "The field is the world..."

Mark 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

 By application, the Bride is desirous to go into field, villages, etc. WITH the Beloved in order to produce fruit.

Jn. 4:35 Say not ye, There are yet four months, and *then* cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

Luke 10:2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.

<u>Jn. 15:8</u> Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

 The love for the Savior is manifested by following His commands.

(b) Somewhat to Give to Him, 7:12b-13

i. The Fervor of Her Love, 7:12b "...there will I give thee my loves."

 In the place of obedient service is the "there" to where a believer desires to be. Jn. 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.... 21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. ... 23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. **<u>24</u>** He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

<u>1 Jn. 5:2</u> By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. <u>3</u> For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

ii. The Fruit of Her Life, 7:13

<u>Song 7:13</u> The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates *are* all manner of pleasant *fruits*, new and old, *which* I have laid up for thee, O my beloved.

 Mandrakes were fruits that resembled small apples, and the roots possessed narcotic properties. They were traditionally aphrodisiacs (cf. Gen. 30:14-16).

 By application, the fruitfulness expressed here represent all ages, as well as rewards for faithfulness to be presented to the Lord Jesus Christ.

<u>Psa. 37:4</u> Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

<u>2 Tim. 4:8</u> Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

Jas. 1:12 Blessed *is* the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

<u>Summary</u>

<u>Song 7:10</u> = The Personal Relationship

<u>Song 7:11</u> = The Prayerful Request

Song 8:12 = The Pleasing Response

Conclusion

<u>Rev. 4:10</u> The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, <u>11</u> Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

