

O HOW JESUS LOVES ME

Song of songs 1:1-17 (January 26, 2025)

THE GREATEST LOVE STORY IN THE BIBLE

Song of songs 8:11

11 Solomon has a vineyard at Baal-hamon, which he leases out to tenant farmers. Each of them pays a thousand pieces of silver for harvesting its fruit.

1 Kings 4:32

32 He (King Solomon) spoke three thousand proverbs and his songs numbered a thousand and five.

FOUR DIFFERENT AND IMPORTANT MEANINGS FOUND IN SONG OF SONGS

1. It sets forth the glory of wedded love.
2. It sets forth the love of Jehovah for Israel.
3. It is a picture of Christ and the church.

2 Corinthians 11:2 I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy. I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him.

Ephesians 5:27 And to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

4. It depicts the communion of Christ and the individual believer.

Ephesians 5:31-32

31 "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh."

32 This is a profound mystery - but I am talking about Christ and the church.

WHAT DOES JESUS WANT ME TO KNOW ABOUT MY PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM?

1. Jesus wants me to know how sweet His love is for me.

Song of songs 1:2-4 (She)

2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth - for your love is more delightful than wine. 3 Pleasing is the fragrance of your perfumes; your name is like perfume poured out. No wonder the young women love you! 4 Take me away with you - let us hurry! Let the king bring me into his chambers.

Psalms 63:3-5

3 Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. 4 I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. 5 I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

2. Jesus loves me not because of what I have done but because of His lovingkindness.

Song of songs 1:6 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 had to neglect.

3. Jesus loves me because I am His sheep.

Song of songs 1:7 Tell me, you whom I love, where you graze your flock and where you rest your sheep at midday. Why should I be like a veiled woman beside the flocks of your friends?

John 10:14-16 I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

4. Jesus wants me to be fragrant by trusting Him with all my heart.

Song of songs 1:12 She

While the king was at his table, my perfume spread its fragrance.

13 My beloved is to me a sachet of myrrh resting between my breasts.

14 My beloved is to me a cluster of henna blossoms from the vineyards of En Gedi.

Job 19:25 I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth.

2 Timothy 2:12 That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet this is no cause for shame, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until that day.

Psalms 23:2 He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What is your favorite love story?
2. What are the common misunderstandings people may have about their relationship with God?
3. What is the character of God that speaks to you most in these days when you think about Him?
4. What does it mean that you are Jesus' sheep in a practical sense? Does this image of shepherd and sheep help you to understand your relationship with Jesus?
5. Do our good works take any role in our salvation in Christ? What is the place that our good works take in our relationship with Jesus?

I AM INTERESTED IN TAKING A CLASS FOR MY SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

- () Membership 101
- () Maturity 201
- () Ministry 301
- () Mission/Evangelism 401

OTHER CLASSES

- () Foundations for basic Christian doctrines
- () Fresh Start for starting my faith in Christ
- () How to do daily Quiet Time with God

NEED TO TALK TO A PASTOR?

- () I would like to talk with a pastor to understand the biblical view on a subject.
- () I would like to know what it means to be a member of MBF (NVCCC)

ANY OTHER QUESTION? LET US KNOW, PLEASE.
