

### Homework for Week 3

May 4, 2022

Read through Song of Songs 3:1-11 and answer the following questions.

1. Where is the Shulamith in 3:1 and what is she doing?

on her bed by night (possibly night after night)  
night is plural in Hebrew

2. What does she do about it according to verse 2? Is she successful?

She rises to go about the city to seek  
the one she loves

She does not find him

3. Who finds her according to verse 3? What does she ask them?

the watchmen who go about the city

"Have you seen the one I love?"

4. What happens after she passes by them in verse 4?

she found the one she loved

5. Where does she bring her Beloved according to the end of verse 4?

to the house of her mother

into the chamber of her who conceived her.

6. What does she tell the daughters of Jerusalem in verse 5?

She charges them

by the gazelles or by the does of the field

Do not stir up nor awaken love until it pleases.

7. How would you describe the mood change in verses 1-5 that you just analyzed?

A. Happy to sad

B. Anxious longing to joyful expectation

C. Angry impatience to disappointed discovery

8. The scene changes starting in verse 6. From where is the Shulamith coming of? (We know this is the Shulamith because the word "this" of "Who is this" is feminine in the Hebrew language, referring to her).

*out of the wilderness*

*Temple*

9. What is the Shulamith described as in verse 6 and what is she scented with?

*like pillars of smoke  
perfumed with myrrh and frankincense,  
with all the merchant's fragrant powders.*

10. Who meets her in verse 7?

*Solomon's couch  
with sixty valiant men around it*

11. What are the daughter of Zion directed to do according to verse 11?

*See king Solomon with the  
crown with which his  
mother crowned him*

12. What is the day according to verse 11?

*the day of his wedding  
the day of the gladness of his heart.*

**Background reading:**

This week we are going to look at the doctrine of the rapture of the church. This may be what Scripture is prophetically alluding to in Song of Songs 3:6-11. Read the following passages in the New Testament that describe the rapture of the church:

**READ: John 14:1-6**

1. What will Jesus do if he prepares a place for us in the Father's house according to verse 3?

*He will come again and receive us to  
Himself, that where He is,  
there we may be also.*

2. Who does Jesus say that He is according to verse 6? What is the only way we come to the Father?

*the way, the truth, and  
the life*

*through Jesus.*

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**READ: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

3. By what authority was the apostle Paul telling the Thessalonian church according to verse 15? What was he telling them in verse 15? (Note: The word "asleep" that Paul used meant believers in Jesus who had died already or "the dead in Christ" in verse 16.)

*by the word of the Lord*

*We who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep.*

4. What will the Lord do according to verse 16?

*descend from heaven with a shout  
with the voice of an archangel  
and with the trumpet of God.*

5. Who will rise first according to verse 16?

*the dead in Christ will rise first*

6. What will happen to "we who are alive and remain" according to verse 17?

*We shall be caught up together with them in  
the clouds to meet the Lord in the air*

7. What does Paul tell the church to do with "these words" in verse 18?

*Comfort one another with these words.*

**READ: 1 Corinthians 15:50-58**

8. What is the "mystery" the apostle Paul tells the Corinthian church in verse 51?

*We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed.*

9. How fast will this occur according to verse 52?

*in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye*

10. What should the church do in light of this knowledge according to verse 5?

*be steadfast, immovable,  
always abounding in the work of  
the Lord, knowing that our labor  
is not in vain in the Lord.*

**READ: Titus 2:11-15**

11. What should the church be looking for according to verse 13?

*the blessed hope and glorious  
appearing of our great God and  
Savior Jesus Christ.*

12. What is the church to do with "these things" according to verse 15?

*Speak these things, exhort and  
rebuke with all authority.  
Let no one despise you.*

**READ: Revelation 4:1-11**

13. The apostle John is now describing what he saw "after these things" (meaning the letters written to the seven churches in chapters 2-3). What did he see according to the beginning of verse 1?

*a door standing open in heaven*

14. What did the "first voice...like a trumpet" say to him according to the end of verse 1?

*"Come up here, and I will show you  
things which must take place  
after this."*

15. What did John experience "immediately" according to verse 2? What did he see in verse 2?

*He was in the spirit  
a throne set in heaven  
and one sat on the throne*

**Personal reflection: What stood out to you the most in the scene John describes of the Throne Room of Heaven in Revelation 4?**

*The Creator -  
the focus on  
God as Creator*