

Discovered:

- She: I love his kisses, his love, his smell & even the sound of his name, oh that I could spend time with him.
- Daughters of Jerusalem - we rejoice for your love.
- She: my skin is dark, but beautiful (insecure) because I worked in the vineyard.
- She: I wish to spend time with you.
- He: You are the most beautiful of all women.
- DOJ (others): We will make jewelry for you.
- She: I am surrounded by thoughts of my beloved.
- Their courtship deepens along with their love, time spent together outdoors.
- She: I am a fertile beauty. He: compares her beauty - lily compared to thorns - no comparison.
- She: my lover is a rare find & his love for me is obvious
- A warning to others: have patience with love, do not force it.
- Bride to beloved: He is like a young stag - come away with me & spoil our love.
- The bride dreams of losing her love, she dreams she finds him & brings him home.
- Encourages women to be patient with love.
- Her groom, Solomon arrives upon a litter for the wedding & is given a wedding crown by his mother.
- Solomon praises the beauty of his bride, describing her features.
- He describes how he wants to consummate their marriage → entering a garden
- He is invited in & they celebrate their marriage, consummating it.
- He came to spend time with his wife, but she turned him away. Regretting it, she looks for him, but does not find him. The guards mistake her for a criminal.
- The daughters of Jerusalem remind her that he loves her.
- She launches into praise of her husband's qualities: handsome, strong.
- In response to the DOJ? of where is your husband?
↳ He has gone to his favorite garden - nre (security of relationship)
- They spend time together & are reconciled - forgiveness
- Solomon praises his wife & describes her beauty.
- His bride initiates lovemaking - calling him to her
- She wishes she could show him affection all the time & to be his most valued treasure.
- Love cannot be quenched or bought.
- She recalls that she behaved virtuously while waiting for love.
- She entrusts herself (her vineyard) to Solomon.
- He asks to hear her voice. She: Do not delay, my beloved.

Help me to remember:

to consistently give praise to my husband and to be willing to deepen our relationship, by spending time with him.

Lord, I ask that

I am just as willing as she to entrust myself to my spouse as she was on a daily basis.

Heavenly Father, I am thankful for...
my husband and his love for me.