

Shiloh Messenger

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"Put A Seal Of Fire Upon My Heart Lord, That Many Waters Cannot Quench" (Song of Songs 8:6-7).

There is more than meets the eye in what many view as an Exotic, Oriental Eight Chaptered Love Song in The Song of Songs. It is yet still to this day after 3000 years ago of its writing, to be one of the most controversial books, and least often studied because of it's content, and its intent. Placed nearly center in our Bibles, It is indeed central and foundational in our Revelation of this Love Journey we are traveling on as The Bride of Christ. Within these Eight Chapters comes the very heart, emotions and passion of Jesus Christ our Bridegroom for The Born Again Believers who are HIS BODY, HIS BRIDE, HIS INHERITANCE.

Solomon penned this masterpiece under The Divine Inspiration of Holy Spirit, (2 Timothy 3:16-17) at a time in his life when he had pleased The Lord in an exceptional way. It is believed that Solomon wrote Song of Songs after God asked him to ask whatsoever he desired of The Lord and it would be given to him. Solomon chose wisely and asked for Wisdom (1 Kings 3: 3-14). Father God gave him wisdom surely in an Ephesians 3:20 kind of a way, for Solomon was given the unique and beautiful gift to express The Lord Jesus' affection for HIS Church, HIS BRIDE, and also giving expression with penned anointed words from Holy Spirit to stir us up in our Love devotion for our beloved Bridegroom. It is indeed a Love Story unfolding chapter after chapter of intense phraseology that is challenging to a Western mind set with metaphors and an Allegorical Revealing that is indeed supported with New Testament Scriptures, especially within The Epistles of The Apostle Paul. 2 Corinthians 11:2-3 is noted as one prominent passage regarding this Precious, Holy, Divine Topic of Truth.

There are several interpretations of this book within The Body of Christ and all have their valid view points. Some take the interpretation in the natural and believe that this book is revealing the kind of love a husband and wife are to have toward one another. Others interpret it as this was indeed an actual Love relationship between King Solomon and a Schulamite Maiden who became his wife. Even the Orthodox Jews have their belief that this was Words of Love from Jehovah God to the Nation of Israel. These are a few Thoughts on the meaning of this Intense and Dramatic Poetic Song. Many Protestant Saints, Preachers, Evangelist, Theologians & Revivalist stood upon this being an expression of Jesus The Bridegroom's Heart for His Bride, and The Body of Christ, her heart expressed back to Him in different seasons of her life journey with Him.

It is a book that is not often preached or taught on today as was with John Wesley, Charles Finney, John Gill, George Whitfield and CH Spurgeon, to name just a few. It was the favorite book of DL Moody. John Gill a Puritan Preacher brought forth 122 Sermons from Song of Songs. Bernard of Claivaux brought to his congregation 88 Sermons from Chapter 1 alone.

This Eight Chaptered Love Song has peaked our interest and captured our curiosity. We believe Holy Spirit is using this Song Of Songs to woo The Body of Christ back to the First Commandment having rightful place before the soon and imminent return of our Beloved Bridegroom meeting us in the air.

The Song of Songs is meant to be studied, meditated upon, and prayed out in Conversation to Our Father regarding JESUS The Lover of our Souls. Something beautiful happens when meeting with Holy Spirit and asking HIM for wisdom and revelation to know JESUS better. The greatest need of The Church today is to have revelation of The Love of God, that our hearts may be so stirred that we respond back with fiery passion for HIM and the cry of heart is "Abba Father, place a seal of fire upon my heart for JESUS that many Waters cannot Quench."

Graduates Testimony

My name is Ash Cassidy. I am a 34 years old and I grew up in Jennings, Louisiana. I grew up in a catholic home, and attended a catholic school, but had no interest in having a relationship with God. This lack of a relationship with God, led me to be unhappy with myself during my college years, and because of this unhappiness I began to try and fill the hole I had in my heart with women, drugs, and other worldly things. I felt these things would bring me joy, but instead it brought me more sadness. After years of partying through college, and the military, I eventually got hooked on heroin. My lifestyle continued to grow darker and darker until one day I tried killing myself by injecting an absurd amount of heroin. When this suicide attempt didn't work, I sat on the edge of my bed crying and begging the God I wanted no part of for so many years, to save me. Well, He did just that! I came to Shiloh May 22, 2014 a hopeless drug addict and graduated May 22, 2015 a delivered and set free man, in Christ. I have been given a second chance at life, and like the prodigal son, I was welcomed back with open arms by a loving Father. Romans 8:28 says, "and we know that all things



work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." He used my horrible heroin addiction as part of my testimony to help show other people what He has delivered me out of, and that He wants to do the same for them.

Since graduating in May, I have returned to serve as a staff intern at Shiloh, to help men who have gone through similar things in their past find their new identity in Christ Jesus, I couldn't be more grateful for Gods Ministry called Shiloh. Lives are truly changed here. Thank you Lord for saving a wretch like me.

I can't thank my wonderful spiritual parents Rocky and Debbie Fondren enough for being such loving, obedient, and kind people. They show us every day, by their walk, what living a Christ like life is all about. I would also like to thank anyone who supports this great ministry. Without you, men would not be able to rest in the presence of God, and find their identity in Christ. Praise God forever!!!!

We want to thank everyone who financially partner with us. It is because of special people like you, men have the opportunity to encounter the "Presence of God." Since the year 2000, we have been participating with the Lord in seeing men restored back to Him, so their destiny can be fulfilled. We are thrilled to hear from our graduates testifying about their experiences of advancing the Kingdom of God in their families, the market places and foreign countries where many are serving as missionaries. We would also like to invite others to help us financially in this ministry of reconciliation for restoration. Please consider Shiloh Ministries as good ground for your financial seed. We would also like to ask Pastor's for the opportunity for the students to come & share with their congregation. We invite everyone to come and take a tour of the Shiloh Campus, if you are in the Liberty area (located 45 miles east of downtown Houston). We would be glad to meet you and show you what extraordinary things the Lord is doing at Shiloh. Thanks again, for co-laboring with us and prayerfully considering financially supporting The Lord's Ministry at Shiloh.

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