

Session 3 The Bride's Life Vision ***Additional Study Materials***

I. ANSWERS TO THE FILL-IN THE BLANKS FOR THIS SESSION

This is a prayer for **GRACE TO LOVE JESUS** with all of our heart so as to walk out the first commandment.

This passage highlights the **SUPERIOR PLEASURES** that come from experiencing God's affection.

God created the human spirit with **LONGINGS** that draw us to Him.

The greatest "pleasures" that we can experience are **SPIRITUAL ONES** that come from encountering the presence of God.

"Affection-based obedience" is obedience that flows from experiencing Jesus' affection for us and then giving it back to Him. It results in the **DEEPEST AND MOST CONSISTENT** obedience.

The King's perfume in the Song speaks of His **INTERNAL LIFE**, or what He thinks and feels.

Jesus declares **GOD'S NAME** or personality to awaken love in our heart for God.

This causes us to grow in **GRATITUDE**, and it renews our love.

In Song 1:4, the Bride describes her spiritual goals and **PRIMARY LIFE VISION**.

Being drawn is *singular*—it speaks of **INTIMACY** with God.

Running after Him with others is *plural*— it speaks of **MINISTRY** and community.

A life vision is that to which we are **COMMITTED** regardless of our occupation, family status, economic status, etc.

I refer to "chamber experiences" as the times in which God communicates to us in a **DEEPLY PERSONAL WAY**.

We are to **INTENTIONALLY ENGAGE** our mind and heart to remember His love.

First, we rejoice in His tender mercy in our weakness as we refuse **CONDEMNATION**.

Second, we remember how **FASCINATING** Jesus is as we resist temptation (inferior pleasures).

Third, we rejoice in and remember His **LEADERSHIP** over our lives in times of difficulty.

This faith confession in times of despair and testing is an expression of **SPIRITUAL WARFARE** as we declare that God is good and the devil is a liar.

We are to **REMEMBER** or regularly recall His encouragement.

More additional Study Materials to come soon.