

# SONG OF SONGS

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Parental Advisory Explicit Scriptures  
What Do You Do When You Feel Disconnected?  
Song of Songs 5:2–6:3

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She

2 I slept, but my heart was awake.  
A sound! My beloved is knocking.  
“Open to me, my sister, my love,  
my dove, my perfect one,  
for my head is wet with dew,  
my locks with the drops of the night.”

3 I had put off my garment;  
how could I put it on?  
I had bathed my feet;  
how could I soil them?

4 My beloved put his hand to the latch,  
and my heart was thrilled within me.

5 I arose to open to my beloved,  
and my hands dripped with myrrh,

my fingers with liquid myrrh,  
on the handles of the bolt.

6 I opened to my beloved,  
but my beloved had turned and gone.  
My soul failed me when he spoke.  
I sought him, but found him not;  
I called him, but he gave no answer.

7 The watchmen found me  
as they went about in the city;  
they beat me, they bruised me,  
they took away my veil,  
those watchmen of the walls.

8 I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem,  
if you find my beloved,  
that you tell him  
I am sick with love.

Others

9 What is your beloved more than another beloved,  
O most beautiful among women?  
What is your beloved more than another beloved,  
that you thus adjure us?

She

10 My beloved is radiant and ruddy,  
distinguished among ten thousand.

11 His head is the finest gold;  
his locks are wavy,  
black as a raven.

12 His eyes are like doves  
beside streams of water,  
bathed in milk,  
sitting beside a full pool.

13 His cheeks are like beds of spices,  
mounds of sweet-smelling herbs.  
His lips are lilies,  
dripping liquid myrrh.

14 His arms are rods of gold,  
set with jewels.  
His body is polished ivory,  
bedecked with sapphires.

15 His legs are alabaster columns,  
set on bases of gold.  
His appearance is like Lebanon,  
choice as the cedars.

16 His mouth is most sweet,  
and he is altogether desirable.  
This is my beloved and this is my friend,  
O daughters of Jerusalem.

Others

6:1 Where has your beloved gone,  
O most beautiful among women?  
Where has your beloved turned,  
that we may seek him with you?

She

2 My beloved has gone down to his garden  
to the beds of spices,  
to graze in the gardens  
and to gather lilies.

3 I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine;  
he grazes among the lilies.

What do you do when you feel disconnected?

#### Disconnection happens

- “Open to me, my sister, my love, my dove, my perfect one, for my head is wet with dew, my locks with the drops of the night. I had put off my garment; how could I put it on? I had bathed my feet; how could I soil them?” (Song of Songs 5:2–3).
- What happened to the newly weds?
  - Unspoken expectations become unmet expectations that become unnecessary disconnection.
- When disconnection happens, say something!

### Do something

- “I opened to my beloved, but my beloved had turned and gone. My soul failed me when he spoke. I sought him, but found him not; I called him, but he gave no answer” (Song of Songs 5:6).
- What does she do?
  - She pursues him
- When disconnection happens, pursue each other.

### Don't listen to everyone

- “What is your beloved more than another beloved, O most beautiful among women? What is your beloved more than another beloved, that you thus adjure us?” (Song of Songs 5:9).
- Who are these women?
  - The Wrong & Right Voices
- When disconnection happens, listen to the right voices.

### Determine to think lovingly of your spouse

- “My beloved is radiant and ruddy, distinguished among ten thousand” (Song of Songs 5:10).
- What does she think?
  - The woman describes her husband from head to toe.
    - “‘From top to bottom he is magnificent, pure, costly, divine—like gold. He is superior to all others.’ . . . She replies that her guy—this god-like statue, her larger-than-life lover—is worth going after and risking her life to see, find, and bring back to bed” (Douglas Sean O'Donnell, *The Song of Solomon*, 89).
  - He more than her lover; he's her friend.
    - “This is my beloved and this is my friend” (5:16b).
- When disconnection happens, intentionally replace evil thoughts with loving thoughts of your spouse.

### Draw closer to one another

- “Where has your beloved gone, O most beautiful among women? Where has your beloved turned, that we may seek him with you? 2 My beloved has gone down to his garden to the beds of spices, to graze in the gardens and to gather lilies. 3 I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine; he grazes among the lilies” (Song of Songs 6:1–3).
- What do they do?
  - The husband returns.
  - The disconnection does not draw them apart.
  - Their relational intimacy is matched with sexual intimacy.
- When disconnection happens, draw closer to one another as quickly as possible.

Relationship disconnections should draw us closer together not farther apart.