

Introduction

- I. The amazing and striking confession of Solomon's wife is that she is ugly, but beautiful.
- II. Remember that the Song of Solomon is not simply about marriage, but the relationship between Christ and the church.

Black But Beautiful

I. Confessing Our Blackness

A. The Shulamite confesses that she is black (ugly). Why does she think this?

B. This is our confession of our depravity and sin.

C. This is a humble confession of the church and believers when we see Jesus and our God in the gospel.

II. Confessing Our Beauty

A. When the Shulamite confesses that she is black but comely, she is confessing humbly that she is beautiful. This beauty is not external or physical, but spiritual.

B. The source of this beauty for the church is found in Jesus Christ.

III. Confessing Our Identity

A. Identity is so important in our lives. The way we see our identity shapes the way we respond to the things God sends us in life.

B. We are taught by the passage that our beauty is found only in Christ.