

The Beauty of the LORD Pt 2

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“To the chief Musician upon Shoshannim, for the sons of Korah, Maschil, A Song of loves. 1 My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. 2 Thou art fairer than the children of men: grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever. 3 Gird thy sword upon thy thigh, O most mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty. 4 And in thy majesty ride prosperously because of truth and meekness and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things. 5 Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; whereby the people fall under thee. 6 Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.” Psalm 45:1-6

This morning being fellowship Sunday we return to Psalm 45. We have already introduce Psalm 45 as a glorious description of our PRECIOUS Lord Jesus Christ and of His Bride the CHURCH! As David begins to pen some glorious things of our LORD He is caught up in a spiritual euphoria and excitement to which we saw that his soul burned within him regarding his LOVE for his Savior.

We’ve see that the word **‘INDITING’** in the Hebrew means to boil and or bubble over with intense heat, as though David is saying, my heart is bubbling over, my heart boils over with great fervency with LOVE to my KING! He is speaking of KING JESUS. This Psalm speaks of David’s love towards Christ which should cause us to examine our own hearts before God this morning, that is; HOW IS MY LOVE TO CHRIST, that is, is my heart INDITING a good matter, is it HOT, it is boiling, is it bubbling over with love to Christ?

We shall speak this morning of the subject of The Beauty of the King part 2: We have outlined this chapter for you. The four major points are...and under the first point we have 4 sub-points: We’ve already seen the first two and are looking at the Beauty of the Lord and considering the phrase in verse 2: “...thou are fairer than the children of men...”

I. The Royal Groom (vss 1-2)

- A. The Burning of our Love (vs 1a *“My heart is inditing a good matter...”*)
- B. The Bowing to the LORD (vs 1b *“...I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.”*)
- C. The Beauty of the LORD (vs 2a *“...Thou art fairer than the children of men...”*)
- D. The Benevolent Lips (vs 2b *“...grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.”*)

II. **The Royal Glory** (vss 3-5)

- A. The Girded Sword (vs 3a)
- B. The Glorious Splendor (vs 3b)
- C. The Great Spoil (vss 4-5)

III. **The Royal Government** (vss 6-8)

- A. A Ruling Sovereign (vs 6)
- B. A Righteousness Sanctioned (vs 7)
- C. A Ravishing Smell (vs 8)

IV. **The Royal Guest** (vss 9-17)

- A. The Radiant Bride (vss 9-12)
- B. The Rich Blessings (vss 13-15)
- C. The Remembered Brethren (vss 16-17)

I would like to warm your hearts this morning as I seek to exalt our Lord Jesus Christ by speaking on His BEAUTY, that is, THE BEAUTY OF THE LORD “...*thou art fairer than all the children of men.*” This is one of the reasons David’s heart was inditing or burning with a hot matter as he would speak, yea write about his king who is fairer or beautiful, that is; lovely that all the children of men. The imagery is as though, David is about to write about this Great King and suddenly as if for the moment the KING who he was going to write about APPREARS BEFORE HIM in such glory, that he describes Him in double language, thou art FAIRER FAIRER as David sees with the eye of faith the beauty and astonishing loveliness of the Person of Christ. In other words there is something about this king, KING JESUS that totally stands out to David. We’re not talking so much about physical beauty here because Isaiah says in Isa.53:2, “...*there is no beauty that we should desire him...*” no we are talking of the person, the character of this person, He is most precious. In not this what Peter also says about the Lord Jesus Christ in 1 Peter 2:7, “*Unto you therefore which believe he is precious...*” We are not talking about looking at Christ with the physical eye, no but with the spiritual eye. When we consider Him with the spiritual eye His countenance is glorious and full of splendor. Yes consider Him who is, “...*the Apostle and High Priest of our profession...*” For CONSIDER HIM and keep, “*Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.*” Again, the Hebrew word for fairer is doubled, David is saying thou art fairer, fairer than the children of man. Spurgeon says, “*Jesus is so emphatically lovely*

that words must be doubled, strained, yea, exhausted before he can be described. He is lovely everywhere, and from every point of view, but never more so than when we view him in wedded union with his church; then love gives a ravishing flush of glory to his loveliness.” Thou are beautiful, beautiful, indicating that nothing or no one can be compared or more beautiful than this person. David was enraptured and captivated in his heart, as he is describing the beauty, the glory, yea the astonishing loveliness of this KING! Again, to the carnal eye there is no beauty to desire Him because His visage was marred more than any man’s and his form more than the sons of men, but to the true child of God as Peter describes, He IS ALTOGETHER PRECIOUS to those who believe. You see to the enlightened eye, THIS KING of KINGS and LORD of LORDS is the beautiful and glorious Mediator, YES JESUS CHRIST IS THE LOVELY AND BEAUTIFUL BRIDEGROOM of His CHURCH! Oh my dear ones do we know anything of this?

Let us turn to SOS 5:16 as David’s son Solomon also describes our Lord Jesus Christ in such glorious language, “His mouth is most sweet: *yea, he is altogether lovely*. This is my beloved, and this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.” Jesus Christ our LORD is ALTOGETHER LOVELY, this is my beloved can you say that? He is the chiefest among ten thousand. What glorious and beautiful language that describes our LORD and SAVIOR Jesus Christ! We want to consider the middle part of verse 16 where it says: “...*yea, he is altogether lovely*. This is my beloved, and this is my friend ...” There are 5 things I want to share with you about this precious and splendid term or better yet at the Puritans would say, a glorious appellation of our Christ: that is; HE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY!

- I. **The Certainty of His Loveliness:** (*yea*)
- II. **The Contemplation of His Loveliness:** (*he is*)
- III. **The Completeness of His Loveliness:** (*altogether*)
- IV. **The Captivation of His Loveliness:** (*lovely*)
- V. **The Confession of His Loveliness:** (*This is my beloved, and this is my friend*)

First of all: I. **The Certainty of His Loveliness:** (*yea*). The word yea no doubt confirms for us the CERTAINTY of His LOVELINESS! This tiny word YEA asserts and affirms without any doubt a conviction with a full persuasion as to the LOVELINESS of this person. It is a definite vote of beauty beyond compare, that by all means this is the one, the only one with such loveliness! This is the whole aspect of David’s words in Psalm 45:1 & 2, “My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. 2 Thou art fairer than the children of men...”

As though David's son Solomon is saying, that's right, not only is HE FAIRER FAIRER than the children of men; HE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY that is; YEA or YES this is He who is ALTOGETHER LOVELY! This is Solomon's confirmation to the beauty of this KING! YEA or YES HE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY! The whole of Him is not only a desire but a delight, the whole description of Him is glorious and compelling. All of Him is lovely in His Person and His Offices as Prophet Priest and King, yea even is HIS WORD, nothing is wanting in His beauty, thus Haggai would write of Him as the desire of all nations. This is basically what loveliness means the object of desire. Husbands, I take you back to the first time you saw your wife, did not her person and beauty capture you, did you not say something in regards to her loveliness and therefore you what? You desired to be around her? If someone were to ask you, tell me something of your beloved? Wouldn't your first words be YES, let me tell you something of her, this is what the WORD YEA means a confidence and certainty of the beauty regarding the one you LOVE! Solomon is qualifying the precious words of David, when David said thou art fairer fairer than the children of men, Solomon says, yes or YEA to that description; YES HE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY, this again is the CERTAINTY of HIS LOVELINESS! Reminds me of the words of David as he was about to die in 2 Samuel 23:5, *"Although my house be not so with God; yet he hath made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things, and sure: for this is all my salvation, and all my desire, although he make it not to grow."* Though things were not all right in his household, by faith says YET or YEA confirming the grace of God in salvation cemented in that Holy Everlasting Covenant that is ordered in all things and sure, he says THIS IS ALL MY SALVATION: I wonder how many of us can say this with such an holy conviction and assurance? Notice the next words, not only was this salvation to his heart theologically, but better yet experientially, he says so assertively; this is all my salvation and all my desire, as though he is saying YEA or YES this is all my desire as I contemplate my LORD and SAVIOR which leads to our next point!

Secondly, **II. The Contemplation of His Loveliness:** (*he is*). Not only does Solomon confirm with YEA, but asserts wholeheartedly that **HE IS** ALTOGETHER LOVELY! Solomon contemplates and meditates on His loveliness. No matter how you view Him **He is** totally lovely, whether we see Him from the front, from the sides or from the back, there is nothing lacking in Him that takes away from His loveliness for **HE IS** ALTOGETHER LOVELY! Every part of Him, everything He did, everything He said, He is in complete totality LOVELY, NOTHING COMPARES TO HIM for He is MY ALL and ALL! As though Solomon wants us to look at this personal pronoun, **'HE'**, that is; to see the one and only object and subject of the HEART, my LOVELY LORD and SAVIOR.

When the lost hear you speak of Christ do they get the idea that this Christ is something special to me, **HE IS** MY ALL and ALL, **HE; HE** the LORD JESUS CHRIST, **HE IS** MY REDEEMER, **HE IS** THE MASTER of my LIFE! HE is LORD, **HE is** the MESSIAH, **HE is** the SAVIOR and He is GOD overall and blessed! LOOK at HIM; **HE HE HE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY!** **HE IS** the blessed creator of all things, **HE is** GOD come in the flesh in His glorious incarnation, **He is** the God of all COMFORT, **HE IS** over all GOD BLESSED forever AMEN! **HE IS** MY PROPHET PRIEST AND KING! **HE IS** the Rose of Sharon and the LILY of the Valley, **HE IS** the APPLE TREE and I sat under His shadow with GREAT DELIGHT and His fruit was sweet to my taste! **HE IS** THE LAMB of God who taketh away the SIN of the world! We can go through all His names, beginning with **HE is** the ALPHA and conclude **HE IS** THE OMEGA! **HE IS** the beginning and the END, YES this one, **YEA HE; HE; HE ALONE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY!** You can almost feel the excitement in the voice that is; her voice the voice of the Shulamite woman who is a type of the Church and of course the **HE IS** the Bridegroom Christ!

What brought all this about which caused her to describe Him in such a manner? Let's back up a little bit because this will lead to next point, but in SOS, chapter 4:16, "*Awake, O north wind; and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out. Let my beloved come into his garden, and eat his pleasant fruits.*" Oh my there is a lot here and I love this text to which one day Lord willing I will preach on this as I am doing in 5:16, but this verse can speak of His church as well as to the individual. Our Lord Jesus Christ comes to His garden, for now His church and calls upon the Spirit to blow upon her. It could be revival and it could be an awakening of a sleeping church. It's His garden, He planted the vine in His garden, the spices could have reference to the graces bestowed upon His church to be exercised for His Glory and it speaks of the beloved coming into His garden which speaks of His presence and participation in the pleasant fruits to which He delights in.

Then begins chapter 5 where we shall give you a very short commentary, but no doubt there is much here but our main text in 5:16; anyway we see Christ coming to His Church and also could include the individual where it says beginning in verse 1: (read) Verse 2 is our problem, we sometimes become sleepy Christians and at times sleepy churches like the Church in Sardis in Revelation 3:1-6. Were too busy for the things of God in verse 3 and we think we can please God by just coming on Sunday mornings to church as though we did God a favor. It's always an excuse, I'm sleepy, I'm tired, I'm too busy, fell in the blank I'm too? Nonetheless, whether to the church or individual the answer is the same, I will not answer the knock to my door or my heart because I'm to

(fill in the blank): God comes to fellowship with us, He comes to have sweet communion with us, but we do not heed His calling. Then in verse 4, we finally come to our spiritual senses, we get up and seek to fellowship with our LORD but He is gone and our hearts are broken and grieved which brings us to repentance. We come seeking for Him to fellowship and have sweet communion with Him, verses 4-6. In verses 7-8 we see that she is sick of LOVE! The watchman in verse 7 which could be the ministers of God took away her vail, which perhaps was the badge of her modesty. Now, there are various interpretations, but I think this also means the ministers of God took away her sad excuses, that is; they took away all the coverings of her excuses and instructed her concerning her improper conduct. She sees the evil of her ways and calls out for help in verse 8, "...O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, that ye tell him, that I am sick of love."

Thus, in verse 2 the Lord had come to bless and meet with His Church to fellowship and to have communion with her, but in verse 3 He finds the church asleep, slothful and negligent. He cause her heart to desire Him, a longing for His presence, but the LORD withdrew from her. It was not the bridegroom's desire to punish her but to cause her to feel His preciousness to her, therefore He hid from her for a while to cause her to desire Him more and more. When she finally saw His beauty and how valuable and necessary He was to her she started seeking Him with her whole heart and gives a solemn but holy charge to all those around her. "*I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my Beloved, that ye tell him, that I am sick of love.*" Which leads to a glorious description of HER BELOVED and takes us to our third point:

III. The Completeness of His Loveliness: (*altogether*). She describes Him as being ALTOGETHER LOVELY, there was not one blemish or spot upon HIM; HE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY! In verses 10 to 16 she gives us a vivid and glorious description of Her BELOVED: For the sake of time we shall look at these quickly, there are 12 different descriptions of Him; Read 10-16A: It took me awhile to alliterate all these 12 descriptions which Lord willing I'll use in a future sermon because each one of these could be a sermon in itself; but here we go: See and BEHOLD the COMPLETENESS of His LOVELINESS!

1. HIS PURITY: My beloved is white and ruddy. (His Holiness)
2. HIS POSITION: The chiefest among ten thousand. He is high and lifted up.
3. HIS PREDOMINANCE: His head is as the most fine gold. Speaks of His Sovereignty. Gold in Scripture symbolizes sovereignty, remember in Nebuchadnezzar's dream he was that head of gold he was the present ruler. This speaks of Christ's sovereign and preeminent rule)
4. HIS POWER: His locks are bushy, and black as a raven. (This speaks of

- His strength, the bushy black hair represents a man in his prime)
5. HIS PERCEPTION: His eyes are as the eyes of doves by the rivers of waters. washed with milk, and fitly set. (This speaks of His sight, His eyes beholds the evil and the good, in the book of Revelation 1:14, “...his eyes were as a flame of fire.” His eyes are as a burning lamp or fire, that is; His eye will burn through every excuse.)
 6. HIS PRECIOUSNESS: His cheeks are as a bed of spices as sweet flowers. (sweetness) To be near Him is precious and to be near Him is to also breathe and smell the fragrance of His beauty and sweetness. “...I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.”
 7. HIS PRECEPTS: His lips like lilies, dropping sweet smelling myrrh. (sayings)
 8. His PROFICIENTCY: His hands are as gold rings set with the beryl. It speaks of His Holy works or Holy skills, His handy works, yea His saving work, Exodus 15:6, “Thy right hand, O LORD, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O LORD, hath dashed in pieces the enemy.” Psalms 118:16, “The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.”
 9. HIS PERSON: His belly is as bright ivory overlaid with sapphires. This speaks of His substance. Ivory typifies the body Christ took in His incarnation, being a true, solid material body. Our Lord Jesus Christ has always existed as the Second Person of the Godhead, but in His incarnation He was clothed with humanity.
 10. HIS PRESENCE: His legs are as pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine gold. The pillars of marble typify stability and strength, the gold speaks of His sovereign stance and or position, He is always present to help His beloved.
 11. HIS PERFORMANCE: His countenance is as Lebanon, excellent as the cedars. His countenance on earth showed forth His stern determination to do His Father’s will. It sets forth the splendor of His Glory. He came to be our Prophet, priest and king. Our Prophet to teach us, our Priest to save us and our King to rule over us and keep us. What a glorious performance by our Christ, even at His lowest point He went a little further; Matthew 26:39, “And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.”
Lastly:
 12. HIS PLEASANTNESS: His mouth is most sweet. His words are most sweet, His voice is pleasant, and His eloquence is unmeasured and

unequaled. This glorious Lord and Savior is not some remote God afar off, no He is most near to His people, and His mouth is most sweet to our souls. His words are also pleasant to our souls as He speaks to us to encourage us along the way.

What a glorious description of our glorious Lord and Saviour HE is no DOUBT ALTOGETHER LOVELY: Every part of Him, however you look at Him, what you consider of him, whatever you read of Him He is in TOTALLY ALTOGETHER LOVELY! The WHOLE of HIM IS LOVELY! Here again, we see the completeness of His loveliness, all of HIM, every part of Him, every part of His life, all His teaching, all His miracles all His action, YEA ALL HIS PERSON; HE IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY! This brings us to our fourth point:

IV. The Captivation of His Loveliness: (*lovely*). Like father, like son; David's son is so captivated with the LOVELINESS of our Lord Jesus, that He is totally, completely, wholly, YEA altogether LOVELY! This is the Shulamite's glorious description of this LOVELY LORD. There is no one who is compared to Him, as David has said, He is FAIRER, FAIRER than all the children of men. He is altogether desirable, He has all that anyone can desire. He has everything that anyone could desire, what a description when asked, what is your beloved more than another beloved in verse 9, "*What is thy beloved more than another beloved, O thou fairest among women? what is thy beloved more than another beloved, that thou dost so charge us?*" She then follows with a 12 fold description. She concludes in a full assurance of faith and hope as this lovely being her beloved and friend. Again, I ask how do you talk of Christ, how do you describe Christ, yea how do you share Christ? What a holy boldness does this Shulamite woman who is again a type of the Church proclaims in a loving relationship to Him. This is my bridegroom CHRIST, this is my beloved in whom is all beauty, excellence, faithfulness and a HOLY perfection both Human and Divine! Everything that is needed to satisfy your soul is found in the PERSON of Christ! He is PERFECT God and He is PERFECT man, your heart and soul will find an abundance of help that will captivate your all and all. He is **lovely** what a word to describe our Lord a word so highly considered because of His beauty. It reflects a manifestation of honor and reverence, yea value which is fixed on a person. It speaks of the quality and quantity of a person both within and without in His beauty and action. This is HE who is ALTOGETHER LOVELY!

Interesting to note that the word lovely in our text here in SOS 5:15 comes from a root that basically means to covet. This root word is the word that is used in Joshua 7:21

where it is said of Achan that when he saw the wedge of gold, he coveted after it. When applied to Christ it speaks of a desire, a passionate and zealous coveting Him of all His person. This is what the Shulamite was doing, this is what we must do to desire, yea; have a holy coveting of Christ! A seeking after of my beloved who is altogether lovely and when found will fully satisfy the heart and soul of the seeker. What a blessed consolation to the soul that finds His or Her Christ. Oh that we would become as Asaph in Ps.73:25 & 26, "*Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee. 26 My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.*" The words he is altogether lovely can also be translated, He is altogether desired, that is He is exceeding and wholly desirable to believers because there is none in heaven or earth that we desire but HIM, our blessed LORD JESUS CHRIST! All of Christ is to be desired and lovely to all true believers. Christ is lovely in His Person, Christ is lovely as our REDEEMER, He is Lovely as our Savior, He is altogether lovely as Prophet, Priest and KING! He is a LOVELY BRIDEGROOM! Yes, she wholly captivated by His loveliness that she desired none other but HIM, is this not the same with us: I desire none other but Christ, He is GLORIOUS ALTOGETHER LOVELY to MY SOUL! How about you? Or are you so blinded by this world or by some sin that so easily besets you or is Christ your ALL and ALL and thus ALL TOGETHER LOVELY? OH my dear ones LOOK to HIM this morning CONSIDER HIM Who is ALL together LOVELY, Yes CONSIDER HIM who is the author and finisher our faith! CONSIDER HIM ALONE WHO IS ALTOGETHER LOVELY! Which brings us to our last POINT:

V. The Confession of His Loveliness: (*This is my beloved, and this is my friend*).

This person who is altogether lovely is my beloved and my friend, what a glorious confession. How do you confess Christ to this dark and dying world? How do they hear you speak of Christ, do you make jokes and speak of Him in unwholesome language or does your heart bubble over as you speak of Him who is fairer than all the children of men. This my dear ones speaks of a relationship, not about a religion, but about a relationship with this blessed Person who is my ALL and ALL! Do you speak in language so loose, saying oh my Lord, or do you say when upset 'Jesus Christ' or do you speak with a tongue that is captivated by a DESIRE of HIM that leads to a HOLY confession of Christ! Do you speak like this Shulamite woman and say this is my beloved, He is mine and am HIS! Do you claim Christ as your own, THIS IS **MY BELOVED!** THIS IS **MY FRIEND!** This is such a beloved friend that I will do whatever it takes for Him to be known by others. I will seek to do His will beyond that of my brother, my sister, my mother, my father, my spouse and of my children or the nearest relationship will or can

do! He is precious and dear to my soul. When you really think of it there are many sweet relationships where Christ fills and stands for His people: He is our husband as a Church, He is my friend, He is my LORD, He is my Saviour, He is my Redeemer, He is my justifier, He is my sanctifier, He is all my salvation, He is mine and I am His. Do you know anything of a relationship with Christ or is He mere religion and theology to you? Do you know Him as your BELOVED, do you know HIM as your FRIEND? Proverbs 18:24 says *“A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.”* I never get tire of hearing of Him, of reading of Him of singing of Him, of mediating of Him of talking of Him, let me tell you of my BELOVED and MY FRIEND! He is my LORD and SAVIOR, He is indeed the BELOVED of my HEART and the BLESSED FRIEND of my SOUL! He is the Chiefest among ten thousand and is ALTOGETHER LOVELY, this is HE in whom my souls delights and desires because by faith I know HIM! Not know about HIM but know Him is a glorious saving relationship to which I never get tired of Him. May God’s grace and May God the Holy Spirit create in your heart a desire to love Him, to know Him, yea to SERVE Him with a willing and sincere heart! I want you to know Him like I know Him in saving grace!

It is not enough just to know about Him or to read about His crucifixion and it is not good enough to just know about the doctrine of Christ, I want you to KNOW HIM that is; KNOW Jesus Christ and Him crucified. I want you to KNOW the PERSON of Christ. Oh to God I hope that before you walk out of this auditorium this morning that Jesus Christ is the delight of your Soul, that He would be the beloved of your heart and the friend of your soul, oh that you would know Him in the GRACE of SAVING FAITH! Oh to God that you can say of Christ this morning: THIS IS MY BELOVED THIS IS MY FRIEND, YEA THIS IS MY SAVIOR! Matthew Henry says, *“To see Christ and not to see him as ours, would be a torture than a happiness; but to see one that is thus lovely and to see him as ours is complete satisfaction.”* Amen and AMEN!

What a joy to know Christ as a beloved Savior and a blessed friend. To say with a clear conscience and in a true holy conviction, He is mine and I am His. To know HIM in the grace of salvation, to say HE is my LORD, My God, My Saviour, MY redeemer, My substitute, My propitiation, My Expiation, He is the captain of my salvation, My alpha and omega, He is my all and all. I know Him in all of His offices, He is mine in all of His works, He is mine in all of His excellences, He is mine in all of His perfections, Yes He has saved me from my sins and has made me a new creature in HIM and know HE is my BELOVED and MY FRIEND and yes HE is FAIRER, FAIRER than the children of

men, He is definitely altogether lovely! Because He is my savior, He is my beloved and HE is MINE. Therefore He is my God, He is my advocate, He is my resurrection, He is my life, He is my Shepherd, He is my bishop, He is my master, He is my Head, He is my faithful and true witness, He is my Door, He is my Living Water, He is my Bread of life, He is my Messiah, He is my Teacher, He is my True vine, He is my high tower, He is my buckler, He is the Horn of my salvation, yea He is my salvation, He is my everlasting life, He is my fortress, He is my deliverer, He is my helper, He is my strength, He is my refuge, He is my Rock, He is my Rose of Sharon, He is my Mediator, He is my Branch, He is my Good Shepherd, He is my Light, He is Life, He is my chief cornerstone, He is my Almighty God, He is my Lamb, He is my Shiloh, He is my Lion of the Tribe of Judah, He is my King of King and Lord of Lords, He is my Immanuel, He is my Wonderful Counselor, He is my dayspring, He is my bridegroom, He is my anchor, He is my foundation, He is my bright and morning star, He is my redeemer, He is my song, He is my Lord, He is my Savior, He is mine and I am HIS, He is my beloved and He is my friend!

I love Him because He first loved me. In sickness and in health He is mine, in life and death He is mine, in blessing and trials He is mine in joy and in sorrow He is mine in everything HE IS MINE! He is my faithful friend He is my loving friend, This IS MY BELOVED and HE IS MY FRIEND! Can you this morning CONFESS THIS? This is the BEAUTY of the LORD, can you now see why David wrote what he did with a burning and fervent heart regarding His Love for His Saviour: *“My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. Thou art fairer than the children of men.”* And why Solomon writes *“...he is altogether lovely. This is my beloved, and this is my friend...”* Look to Christ this morning He is the only one who can satisfy your soul: Let's pray.