Song of Songs Song of Solomon

*Come back, come back, O Shulammite; come back, come back, that we may gaze on you!* 

#### Why would you gaze on the Shulammite as on the dance of Mahanaim?

1 How beautiful your sandaled feet, O prince's daughter! Your graceful legs are like jewels, the work of an artist's hands.

2 Your navel is a rounded goblet that never lacks blended wine.
Your waist is a mound of wheat encircled by lilies.

*3 Your breasts are like two fawns,* like twin fawns of a gazelle. 4 Your neck is like an ivory tower. Your eyes are the pools of Heshbon by the gate of Bath Rabbim. Your nose is like the tower of Lebanon looking toward Damascus.

5 Your head crowns you like Mount Carmel. Your hair is like royal tapestry; the king is held captive by its tresses. 6 How beautiful you are and how pleasing, my love, with your delights!

7 Your stature is like that of the palm, and your breasts like clusters of fruit. 8 I said, "I will climb the palm tree; I will take hold of its fruit."

May your breasts be like clusters of grapes on the vine, the fragrance of your breath like apples, 9 and your mouth like the best wine.

May the wine go straight to my beloved, flowing gently over lips and teeth. 10 I belong to my beloved, and his desire is for me. 11 Come, my beloved, let us go to the countryside, let us spend the night in the villages.

12 Let us go early to the vineyards to see if the vines have budded, if their blossoms have opened, and if the pomegranates are in bloom there I will give you my love.

13 The mandrakes send out their fragrance, and at our door is every delicacy, both new and old, that I have stored up for you, my beloved.

8:1 If only you were to me like a brother, who was nursed at my mother's breasts! Then, if I found you outside, I would kiss you, and no one would despise me.

2 I would lead you and bring you to my mother's houseshe who has taught me. I would give you spiced wine to drink, the nectar of my pomegranates. 3 His left arm is under my head and his right arm embraces me.

#### *4 Daughters of Jerusalem, I charge you: Do not arouse or awaken love until it so desires.*

- Creating a soulmate friendly marriage.
- Your Former Relationships Are No Longer Your Priority
- Foster a safe place free of intimidation, manipulation, and abuse
- Give priority to your marriage relationship
- Cherish moments together
- Reflect the best in one another (mirror)

#### True Love's Soulmate Creating a soulmate friendly marriage.

- Encourage one another to grow and become who God wants them to be
- Rejoice in his/her growth

Creating a soulmate friendly marriage.

- Shared Faith in and Service to God
  - Showing Hospitality

Paul...went to Corinth. 2 There he met a Jew named

Aquila, a native of Pontus, who had recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla, because Claudius had

ordered all Jews to leave Rome. Paul went to see

them,3 and because he was a tentmaker as they were, he stayed and worked with them. Acts 18:1-3 (NIV)

Creating a soulmate friendly marriage.

- Shared Faith in and Service to God together
  - Seeking Another's Growth

He (Apollos) began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they invited him to their home and explained to him the way of God more adequately. Acts 18:26 (NIV)

Creating a soulmate friendly marriage.

- Shared Faith in and Service to God together
  - Sacrificing for God and Others

Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my co-workers in Christ Jesus. 4 They risked their lives for me. Not only I but all the churches of the Gentiles are grateful to them. Romans 16:3-4 (NIV)