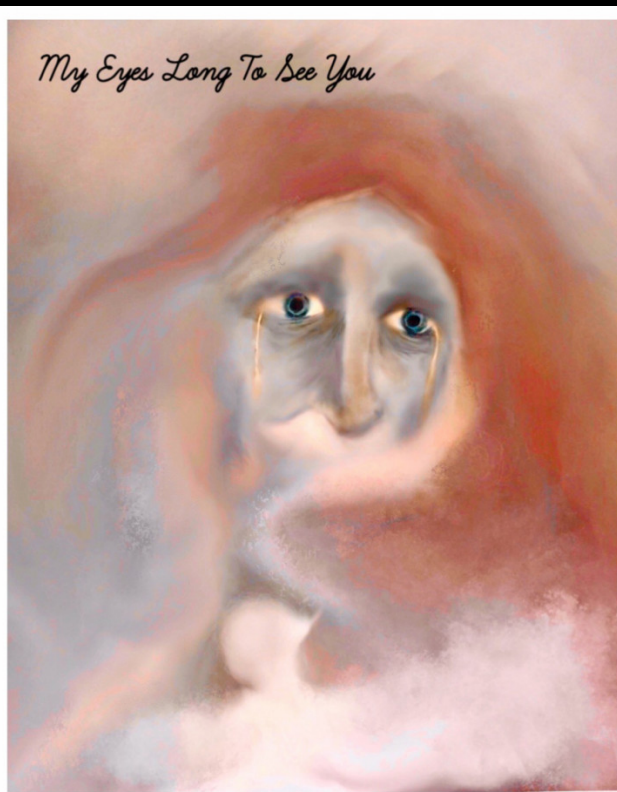


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Hello Precious Ones,

I pray each of you is experiencing the wonder of having GOD'S SON INSIDE OF YOU in 2021! Oh Glory! What more can we say? How incredible. May the awe of this reality overwhelm us when all else is trying to press into the doors of our hearts and minds, yet "God is in her, she shall not be moved..." (Psalm 46:5). Each day, for me, is another opportunity to be His earthen vessel that is weak, broken, lacking... but full of true Treasure... Jesus! Thank you, each of you, for being His vessel that shines forth His love to me and so many. I truly thank God for you.

In answer to questions that several of you have recently asked, I am currently doing rigorous daily therapy/detox in relation to areas in which my Lyme's disease has affected me. Certain of these areas are showing some improvement, but the continuous weakness and fatigue from the Lyme's disease is still my daily companion! Yet wonderfully, this weakness continues to be my dear helper in knowing the Lord in real ways, and has blessed me with opportunities to pour from my lack in His Spirit, rather than from my own resources. His living waters continue to fill and pour as together we are all part of this living conduit that is carrying His Life to others all over the world. There are many "digital highways" that we are using through technology to continue to provide a way of releasing His Life to many. The Sonrise Young Adults Team is embarking on a new virtual

outreach to the kids at New Creation Fellowship, while also working on a new website to reach out to the young adults of this generation.

This month the Lord gave a new song, but He also gave a picture to express the spirit of this song entitled, “My Eyes Long To See You.” It is a song that I believe expresses what we are all feeling right now - a deep desire to look into the eyes of our Lord and know His heart and be changed into His image. I suggest looking at the picture while listening to the song because the Lord gave them together and they will not mean as much separate from each other.

Also, this month’s article is a transcription from our weekly Skype Bible study/prayer time where the Lord blessed us with this fresh word from the Song of Songs Chapter 4.

Our “math problem” is still in process and I will continue on that theme in the months to come, for the final math and its answer will bless you once we get there! For now, the Daniel course that I am sharing this semester in the Bible school brings us many of the elements that will add up in solving this math problem... so stay tuned. We have included videos of this current Daniel class in this e-newsletter.

Yours in His Love,

Kelly

The picture and song that the Lord gave together...

(click the audio file below the picture to listen to and download the song)

My Eyes Long To See You



"My Eyes Long to See You" song

Main Article:

Passionately Possessing the Fragrant One



“Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.” (Song of Songs 4:6)

In Song of Songs 4:6, we see somebody who feels like the shadows have not all gone away... that the day has not fully dawned... that Jesus may not be fully formed in them, they do not see Jesus fully...

But instead of being depressed or discouraged or looking at self, or being passive or waiting on the Lord to do something, the Shulamite says, ***“I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.”*** There are two points here that are so beautiful! First, she is not being discouraged or passive or looking at herself. She is saying *I am going to press into Him*. I will not be passive, but *I am going after Him*. I am going after the Lamb. There is a lot of passion in the Song of Solomon, and that passion is coming from *hearts*, hearts that love, and are willing to love someone else more than themselves, more than their life in this earth. Willing to press past everything to get to that other person they love. That is the Shulamite.

The second point is how she describes the pursuit of her heart, the words she uses in this verse to describe specifically what she is going after: “*the mountain of myrrh and the hill of frankincense.*” Someone might say, “I am going to understand the cross of Christ.” But she does not say that. She says, “I want to go to the mountain of myrrh, to the hill of frankincense.”

I believe that mountain and that hill speak of mount Calvary, Golgotha, that hill where He carried that old, rugged cross to be crucified – they speak of the Lord’s death. But she does not call it just a mountain or a hill, or a cross or a teaching, or some death or suffering she must go into, some death she must bear. To her, she wants to know the *myrrh*. She wants to enter into the *frankincense*. She wants to go into *the Spirit* of His death by Oneness. She wants the Spirit of it written into the fleshly tables of her heart. She wants to drink in the Essence of the Being that was crucified. She wants to *eat* the Lamb and *drink* His blood, take in His Spirit. She does not want the cross to be understood in terms of just any random death and suffering but the *myrrh* that *comes out* of His death - the Spirit that sacrifice is covered with, is anointed with, the essence that comes out of those flames - the savor of His Person. The savor of the Lamb, the sweet savor, free-will offering that He is!

She is *in love*! With *the Lamb*! She is not just a student. She is not interested in only learning *about* the Cross. She is in love with the Lamb of God. And she wants to know Him. She doesn’t even care that she doesn’t know Him and that there are still shadows, or that she has not fully seen Him because the day has not fully dawned. She doesn’t care if she is a big mess, she doesn’t care if she has failed! She doesn’t care because it’s not about her! She is in love with Him! She is not in love with herself. So, it doesn’t matter. She has her eye on the prize, and that is knowing Him in the fellowship and sweet spirit of Oneness with the Lamb of God, in ways teaching could never ever bring her into. Look at that heart! Look at the heart – it is beautiful to Him.

So, in verse seven, He turns around, and sees this passion and pursuit, and He says, “***You are fair, my love, there is no spot in you***” (Song of Songs 4:7). You know, the only one who has no blemishes or spots is Jesus, the Lamb of God. He has no blemishes. He is totally blemish-free, there is no spot in Him. So He is saying to her, “Hey lady, the Lamb is in you! My Spirit is in you. I am in you. The Lamb is in you. You may not see it, there may still be shadows, Christ may not be fully formed in you. And you, as the

vessel made of clay, may be a big mess. But the Lamb is in you. Go for it! Go for it! Keep coming. Keep pressing in.”

Then in verse 8 He says, “***Come with Me from Lebanon, my spouse, with Me from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir and Hermon, from the lions’ dens, from the mountains of the leopards***” (Song of Songs 4:8).

He is saying, “I heard you when you said you wanted the *myrrh* and the *frankincense* and the *fellowship* of my sufferings and the *Spirit* of my death. You want *me*. You want to be crucified *with me*, you want it to be my Life that you bear. You want to fellowship in *my* sufferings. You want to intimately know the Oneness I brought you into. You want to *intimately* and *experientially* know.” Like in Ephesians 3:18-19: that we may know the Love of God, experientially know the love of God and be filled with all of His fullness. The height, the depth, the length, the breadth. That is this! He is saying, “The height, the depth, the length, the breadth - come with me! Come with me, my wife. ***Let us!*** Let us fellowship from these high places where the cross is not a teaching, but an experience of Oneness, a fellowship of Nature, an intimacy that I have with my wife who has sought me for me, has loved me more than her own life and has chosen to enter into the things that I am about – suffering and giving my life.”

From the top of Hermon - let us look down at the things that used to be the enemies of our love, the lions that used to roar and frighten you from these places of intimate fellowship in my nature. These places that kept you from me. The leopards that would devour the Seed, instead of being bread for you so my Seed within you could grow. He is saying to her, “You have come away. You have chosen me. You found me in my place and now the things that tore us apart are the places of the deepest and most intimate fellowship we may ever have.”

It is a day of the Lord’s rejoicing and the exalting of His Heart. The satisfaction and the joy He must find over having one with Him in this way! The next verse just says it: “***You has ravished my heart, my sister, my spouse; you have ravished my heart with one of your eyes, with one chain of thy neck***” (Song of Songs 4:9).

One glance of that eye, one chain, one turning of that neck towards me. But verse nine is not a secluded verse all by itself. It does not refer to just any

time an eye looks up at Jesus or a neck turns in His direction. Song of Songs 4:9 is in the context of the flow of the verses. It is her eyes that are turning to Him in the ways spoken of in verses 6, 7, and 8. It is when she is looking at Him from this heart condition, from this kind of love, from these decisions and choices, from this fellowship in His suffering. O my Lord, when she beholds Him from this kind of heart, that is when He is ravished! That is when those turnings affect Him so deep!

“How fair is your love, my sister, my spouse! How much better is your love than wine! And the smell of your ointments than all the spices!” (Song of Songs 4:10)

He smells His Spirit, He perceives His Spirit, His Nature in her – the tables of her heart have been written upon. She bears not just the teaching of it, not just the doing of it, but the spirit of Christ, the nature of the Lamb. He knows that savor. It is the Eternal Spirit that God has always been, and has always had between one another in the Godhead. It is home to Him. She carries His Spirit in selfless giving and love. It is home to Him. It is His forever home from the beginning, out from God – God’s very Spirit in her. How amazing!

“Your lips, O my spouse, drop as the honeycomb: honey and milk are under your tongue...” (Song of Songs 4:11).

You have entered into the good land that flows with milk and honey! You have been eating the good of the land. Milk and honey are in your mouth. You have been entering into me, you have been entering into the land of my heart, possessing me and my inward parts.

You know, Joshua possesses our inward parts, but the wife of the Lamb possesses *His* inward parts. This may be crazy, but in a certain way, maybe she is like His Joshua! Marching into the land of His heart and putting her feet down and saying, “I possess You! I choose You! I see You, I receive You, You are my portion in the land of the living!” And she possesses Him.

Milk and honey is in your mouth, it flows like a honeycomb, your garments smell like Lebanon, you smell like you have been fellowshiping in my sufferings and with me in the spirit of my dying! You bear the marks of the Lord Jesus Christ and you bear the savor of the sweet selfless sacrifice, the whole burnt offering. The sweet savor of the Lamb in her – it ravishes His heart! You are a fountain sealed. You have life, my Life, in you.

“Your plants are an orchard of pomegranates, with pleasant fruits; camphire, with spikenard. Spikenard and saffron: calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices” (Song of Song 4:13-14).

He says, “All the trees that are in the garden of your heart, O my spouse, all the crosses that are in you are fragrant with the Lamb! They are not teaching crosses. They are full of frankincense and myrrh and the chiefest of spices. Everything you have been taught has gone beyond teaching and has been written into your heart in Spirit and nature, and it is coming forth in fragrance and essence and life and living water and life-giving Spirit! My Son, the Firstborn – the slaughtered Lamb is coming out of you.”

This is high praise, but it is not her. It is *Him* in her. She has received Him for who He is, and she is yielding to His Life inside. It is such a ministry to Him.

“A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, streams from Lebanon...” (Song of Songs 4:15).

All of this is coming from the mouth of the One who, in verse 6 of this same chapter, she chose to go after with all her heart, soul, and strength – “*I will get me* to the mountain of myrrh and the hill of frankincense.” She loves Him, and look how that love has blossomed by His Life taking root and coming forth through her. Not as teaching or ministry or knowledge, but as His Spirit and His Nature.

And it has ravished His Heart. It has given Him one after His kind. He is not alone. He has her, and she is His home. His forever home. “I have desired Mount Zion to dwell there forever,” Psalm 132 says. Oh, the love, the wonder, the awe of being swallowed up in the One who was and is and is to come. To leave the earth, to leave ourselves – to turn away, and come up here, and enter in, and fellowship, and find the wonder and the beauty of the Lamb.

David said it in Psalm 27, “One thing have I desired, and that will I seek after, that I may dwell, that I may behold, that I may take hold of You – be One forever.” That same heart is in us, is in those in this time, in this age, in this generation, who have chosen Him as their portion. And have made decisions

to seek Him despite everything. Despite the lions and the leopards and the high places that used to tear them apart. May we be that to Him. We do not want to be that to the church or to our neighbor, or first to this or that person. First and forever foremost, let us be that to the heart of the Lord. Let us be that to Him, and it will affect everything and everyone else, because the fragrance of Christ will come forth down here, and we will be changed. And the change will be Him – Him in fragrant, living, eternal ways.

Closing Prayer:

Lord, may Your Word find entrance into our hearts and be written into us in fragrance, Spirit, nature, and Life... until every tree in the garden of our heart is perfumed with all chief spices, fragrant with the Lamb, flowing with the fruit of Your Nature and the waters of Life that issue out from the New Jerusalem and the Lamb that is enthroned within her, bringing Life to the nations, but giving Him one after His kind! Lord, these things are too wonderful for words, but they are ours – You made us one. You died and you brought us into the good land of your heart. May we be Your Joshuas and possess You, pressing past every giant and every high tower and every strong, defended city until we have grabbed ahold of You and have taken You in and brought forth the fruit of who You really are as our Life. We pray these things in Jesus' name, amen.

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