

5-15-2022 Weekly Messages

Meditation of the Week: Psalm 91:1-16

Text: Song of Solomon 8:8-14

Sermon Title: **Mature Christian Looking at the Day of Christ (the Day of the Rapture)**

The Sulamite woman is talking about what she needs to do for another bride of Christ in the Lord :

“We have a little sister, and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be spoken for?” (Sol 8:8)

What the Sulamite woman feels sorry for other immature Christian saying she doesn't have her breasts. When she says of her breasts not meaning her heart referring to the state in which her breasts are not fully matured. This is how she hopes that she will not be ashamed of her spiritual immaturity when she meets Christ even though she is born again facing her wedding ceremony with Christ in the day of Christ.

The Sulamite woman is saying that she is not yet spiritually mature to be get married with Christ. Likewise, mature Christian regrets seeing other Christians who have not matured spiritually in the church. The Sulamite woman is telling about what to do for her:

“If she be a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver: and if she be a door, we will inclose her with boards of cedar.” (Sol. 8:9)

This means that she doesn't have her breasts, but Sulamite woman wants to help her so that she may have her breasts, just as she builds upon her a palace of silver over her breasts and incloses her with boards of cedar. This means to nurture her spiritually by the words of God to make her breasts spiritually to make her mature Christian.

Apostle Paul told the pastor Timothy about the need for believers to nurture other believers by the Word of God teaching them:

“Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.” (2 Tim. 2:1-2).

The Sulamite woman, is now spiritually mature, testifying of her own appearance in which she received her favor from Solomon because she is now spiritually armed:

“I am a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found favour.” (Sol 8:10).

Likewise, the bride of Christ, who is awaiting the rapture today, is wearing the full armor of God and living a holy life, witnessing to herself as a favored person before the Lord Jesus Christ, who will soon appear.

Apostle Paul wrote an encouraging letter to Titus, who lives in this hope:

“. Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; 13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; 14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works. 15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.” (Titus 2:12-15)

Then Shulamite woman said that those who were guarding Solomon's vineyards would bring a thousand of their harvest unto him, and those who kept them would have two hundred.

Jesus spoke of the vineyards of the Father unto his disciples:

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

" (John 15:1-5).

God has made the vineyard of God on earth by having the Lord Jesus Christ to be the head of it. Therefore, Christians who are members of the church of God can bear much fruit and offer it to the Lord by doing the Lord's work zealously for good works in God's vineyard. Just as the workers who guarded Solomon's vineyard received two hundred returned when they gave a thousand of their fruit to Solomon. Christians who serve the Lord's body diligently in the church, the body of the Lord, and gave good fruits to the Lord, shall be rewarded in heaven as well as on the earth in the future.

Sulamite woman was a spiritually mature so that she was listen to the voice of Solomon. Likewise, today, as the day of Christ draws near, spiritually awaken Christians are always in communion with the Lord listening to His voice. They always make their ears listen to the voice of the Lord Jesus Christ saying, "Come up hither!" as the sound of trumpet.

Solomon said to the Sulamite woman, "

Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.

11 For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone;

12 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;

13 The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

" (Sol 2:10-13),

Then she said, "**Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.**" (Sol 2:17).

But now she is rather urging Solomon to hurry:

"Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices." (Sol 8:14).

Apostle John, the disciple beloved by the Lord heard the voice of the Lord and urged the Lord to say:

" And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

” (Rev 22:12-14).

After saying these words, when he said, "**Surely I come quickly** ." Apostle John immediately answered and said, "**Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.**"

Christians who are ready like the Shulamite woman in the end times are living a life that overcomes the world with faith while waiting only for the blessed hope of the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. King David confessed that he lived with only this one hope:

"As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness." (Psalm 17:15).

Amen! Hallelujah!