

## The Wedding Day - Song 1:1-2:7

**Topics:** Affections, Affirmation, Appearance, Approval, Beauty, Body, Character, Desires, Encouragement, Friendship, Love, Partnerships, Pleasure, Praise, Purity, Relationships, Sex

### Open It

- \* 1. Why do you agree or disagree with the saying that “beauty is in the eye of the beholder”?
- 2. What is your favorite part of the wedding ceremony? Why?
- 3. How is love generally depicted in television programs, movies, and romance novels?
- 4. Why do you think people read romance novels or watch romantic movies?

### Explore It

- 5. Who are the three speakers in these verses? (1:1-2:7)
- \* 6. What is the relationship between the Lover and the Beloved? (1:1-2:7)
- \* 7. How did the Beloved describe her Lover? (1:1-4, 16)
- 8. Where did the Beloved want her Lover to take her? (1:4)
- 9. How did the Beloved describe herself? (1:5-7)
- \* 10. How did the Lover describe his Beloved? (1:9-11, 15)
- 11. To what did the Lover compare his Beloved? (2:2)
- 12. To what did the Beloved compare her Lover? (2:3)
- 13. Where did the Lover take his Beloved? (2:4)
- 14. What did the Beloved ask her Lover to do? (2:5)
- 15. What did the Beloved tell the Daughters of Jerusalem they should do? (2:7)

### Get It

- 16. What stage in the Lover and Beloved’s relationship is described in these verses?
- 17. How is romantic love depicted in these verses?
- 18. What types of words did the Lover and the Beloved use in speaking to each other?
- 19. How might the Beloved’s description of herself be an indication that others may not have found her as attractive as did her Lover?
- \* 20. Why did the Lover and the Beloved praise each other’s physical attractiveness?
- 21. Why is it important to compliment a person’s physical appearance?
- \* 22. How do you think the compliments given by the Lover and the Beloved made the other person feel about himself or herself and about their relationship?
- 23. How important is mutual physical attraction in a relationship?
- 24. Besides physical attractiveness, what other characteristics did the Lover and the Beloved praise?
- 25. What qualities besides physical attractiveness should a potential marriage partner possess?

### Apply It

- \* 26. How can you make the person you are in a relationship with feel loved and accepted today?
- 27. What one thing can you do this week to add a bit of romance to your relationship?