

Memories of Courtship - Song 2:8-3:5

Topics: Affections, Desires, Devotion, Feelings, Friendship, Love, Patience, Pleasure, Problems, Purity, Relationships

Open It

1. What is the strangest dream you have ever had?
2. What were (or are, as the case may be) the essential elements of courtship when you were dating?
- * 3. What is the funniest thing that ever happened to you on a date?

Explore It

- * 4. What sort of relationship did the Lover and the Beloved have? (2:8-3:5)
5. How did the Beloved describe her Lover? (2:8-9)
- * 6. What did the Lover say to his Beloved? (2:10-13)
7. What time of year was it? (2:11-13)
8. How did the Lover describe his Beloved's voice and face? (2:14)
- * 9. What did the Lover ask his Beloved to catch? Why? (2:15)
10. How did the Beloved describe her relationship with her Lover? (2:16)
11. When did the Beloved say she looked for but could not find her Lover? (3:1)
12. What did the Beloved dream? (3:1-4)
13. Where did the Beloved say she would go to look for her Lover? (3:2)
14. What did the Beloved ask the watchmen? (3:3)
15. What did the Beloved do when she found her Lover? (3:4)
16. What charge did the Beloved give to the Daughters of Jerusalem? (3:5)

Get It

17. How would you describe the Lover and the Beloved's relationship?
18. Why do you think the Beloved described her Lover as a gazelle?
19. What might the coming of spring symbolize?
- * 20. What do you think the little foxes represented in the Beloved and the Lover's relationship?
- * 21. What kind of problems crop up in a relationship sooner or later?
22. When does romantic love tend to fade from a relationship? Why?
23. Why do you think the Beloved took her Lover to her mother's house?
24. Why do you think the Beloved told the Daughters of Jerusalem not to arouse love "until it so desires"?
25. In what way do people arouse love before it desires?

Apply It

26. With what relationship will you ask God to help you be patient this week?
- * 27. What can you do this week to resolve a conflict in your relationship with your spouse or a friend?