



THE SONG OF SOLOMON

Chapter 4

“LOVE TALKS!”

> Do you know the top “10 things every wife wants to hear from her husband”

~ Survey says:

#1 - ***“I cherish you.”***

#2 - ***“You look amazing.”***

#3 - ***“Date night is planned.”***

#4 - ***“I’m listening. How can I help?”***

#5 - ***“I believe in you.”***

#6 - ***“You make me a better man.”***

#7 - ***“I apologize.”***

#8 - ***“I appreciate all your hard work.”***

#9 - ***“Let’s pray together.”***

#10 - ***“You are needed & desired.”***

(From Beliefnet, Love and Family section)

> ***One Thing Every Man Wants To Hear from his wife***

“Let’s do it!”

(Ok, what are we having for dinner!)

> Let's remember GOD'S DESIGN FOR MARRIAGE from Genesis as we observe four "C's" plus a fifth "C" from Song of Solomon:

#1 – Companionship (2:18-20) (Before and after marriage.)

#2 – Completeness (2:21-23) (Life goals to complete each other in the love of Christ.)

#3 – Cleave (2:24-25) (United in marriage, family, for better or worse, in sickness and in health, for richer or for poorer.)

#4 – Creation (1:26-31) (Be fruitful and multiply, enjoy love and romance.)

#5 Communication (Song of Solomon chapter 4 – 5:2)

~ Song of Solomon – Chapter 4 – “LOVE TALKS!”

- There's:

> ROMANTIC TALK! (v1-6)

> COMPLIMENTARY TALK! (v7)

> HONEYMOON TALK! (v8)

> LOVE TALK! (v9-11)

> PLEASURE TALK! (v12 – 5:1)

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> ROMANTIC TALK! (v1-6)

(v1-6) Solomon communicates love talk for a love walk. Gentlemen learn this type of communication, whispering these sweet adjectives into your bride's ears:

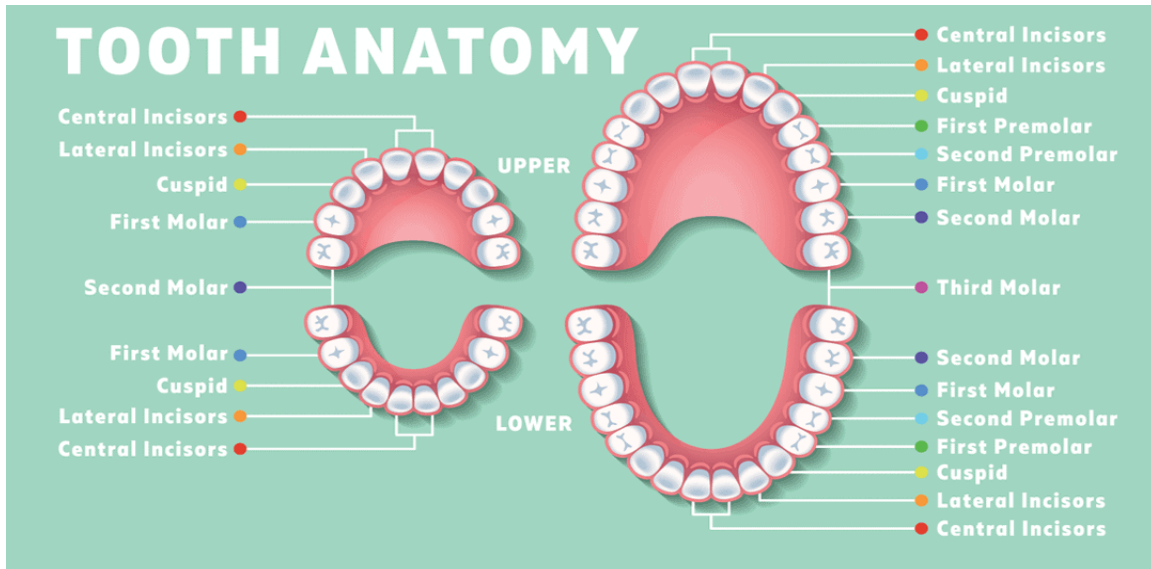
- 1st - “you are fair” (beautiful) - Repeat it twice, this means you really mean it and don't forget to say, “my love.”

- 2nd - Describe her beauty - Anatomically speaking, go body part by body part, tell her she has:

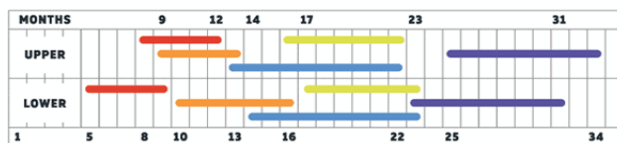
- “dove's eyes” – Eyes that are lovely and loyal.

- “hair like a flock of goats coming down from a mountain” – The Shulamite has long beautiful flowing hair. Do not get hung up the “goats” thing, because a “goat” means “Greatest Of All Time!!!” Her hair is the greatest of all, even in the morning!

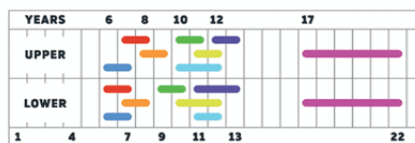
- *“her teeth are like a flock of shorn sheep after washing, her teeth bears twins, non-lacking”* - A full set of lovely white teeth, none missing, no cavities.



PRIMARY TEETH ERUPTION DATES



PERMANENT TEETH ERUPTION DATES



- *“her lips like a strand of scarlet, your mouth is lovely”* – Fabulous, well colored lips, a mouth that is inviting.

- *“Your temples are like a piece of pomegranate”* – The temple is a junction of four separate skull bones. The Shulamite’s temples are well rounded, colorful, inviting to hold, relaxing in love on your lap as you rub her temples, oh my!

(Extra insight, some commentators say this could be speaking of her cheeks on her face.)

- *“Her neck like the tower of David, built for an armory of which hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men”* – The Shulamite has a very attractive and lengthy neck decked out with a gorgeous multi-layered metal necklace.

- *“her two breasts are like two fawns, twins of a gazelle, which feed among the lilies”* - Use your imagination, maybe not! She is well proportioned and fragrant like lilies.

- 3rd - Spend time with her in lovemaking - Notice he says, *“not until the day breaks”*—he says he will spend time *“at the mountain of myrrh and the hill of frankincense.”* She is perfumed and wonderful, they come together to enjoy and please one another.

> **COMPLIMENTARY TALK! (v7)**

(v7) *“no spot in you”* – In Ephesians 5:25-27 we read, *Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.*

> **HONEYMOON TALK! (v8)**

(v8) The bridegroom speaks and says, *“let’s go honeymoon.”* Marriages need numerous honeymoons, husband and wife getting away for a weekend; this refreshes and revitalizes a relationship.

> **LOVE TALK! (v9-11)**

(v9) Solomon continues to complement, *“you have ravished my heart.”* How did she do this? *“By the look of her eye.”* By the way she flirts with her husband. Ladies do you still flirt with your husband.

(v10) This description brings forth beauty of heart, *“How much better than wine is your love.”* She takes care herself, *“and the scent of your perfumes.”*

(v11) She participates in their romance.

> **PLEASURE TALK! (v12 – 5:1)**

(v12) Solomon says with that her *“garden is enclosed,”* *“a fountain that is sealed,”* meaning she is a virgin and ready to blossom and flow through intimate lovemaking.

(v13) What is the significance of pomegranates as a symbol of marriage? This ritual is said to ensure a happy marriage and the birth of many children.

- *“Henna”* possibly in oil form, *“Henna”* is natural perfume with a Spicy & Buttery Scent. Great for hair and skin, massage into scalp.

- *“Spikenard”* - The scent of Spikenard is sometimes described as woody, spicy, and musty.

(14) *“Saffron”* - The smell of saffron has always been described as sweet, but saffron shares two distinctive value which is sweet and husky.

- “*Calamus*” - The better quality calamus oil has a refreshing cinnamon-like scent.

- “*Cinnamon*” – You know cinnamon.

- “*Frankincense and myrrh*” are both from trees of the same family (Burseraceae), so they have similar smells. They both have warm, spicy, and slightly sweet aromas. However, they also have noticeable distinctions. Myrrh is more smoky and woody, while frankincense is earthy and sharp.

- “*Aloes*” – Aloe you know.

(v15) The “*gardens,*” “*well of living waters.*” and “*streams*” speaks of female ecstasy in its variety of ways!

- Why is *Lebanon* mentioned so much?

It is the scenic beauty of the country that has inspired many symbolic references in the Bible (Ps 92:12; Song 4:15; 5:15). The rich vegetation of Lebanon became a symbol of fruitfulness and fertility (Ps 72:16; 92:12).

(v16) His bride stops his conversation, and she says, “*awaken the winds north & south*”, receive the fullness of her fragrances, then she invites him to her garden and encourages him to enjoy all that she has to offer, bringing pleasures from the top her head to the bottom of her feet, oh my!

- Insight: It is important for husband and wife to communicate what is enjoyable and what isn't enjoyable in their lovemaking adventure. God placed Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden; Eden means *delight*. Every marriage must develop their Garden of Eden by lovingly communicating beautiful things to one another and actively participating in the fullness of their relationship. In Hebrews 13:4-5- *Marriage is honorable among all, and the bed undefiled*

(Ch. 5:1a) Solomon's response- “I, I, I, I” --- Here we see them united in lovemaking, enjoying all of its pleasures to the fullest!

(5:1b) What does “*Eat, O friends! Drink, yes, drink deeply, O beloved ones!*” mean? - Solomon is saying that all married couples should have a very ROMANTIC AND PLEASURABLE RELATIONSHIP!

> **P.S. – Here’s 10 Things Husbands Want to Hear From Their Wives:**

1. “I love being your wife.”
2. “You’re an outstanding father.”
3. “I’m really attracted to you. You are the man!”
4. “I really respect the decision you made.”
5. “I know how important it is to live within our means. I’m with you on this.”
6. “I’m so grateful for your spiritual leadership.”
7. “You are so wise.”
8. “I appreciate how hard you work to provide for our family.”
9. “Thank you very much for helping me with that.”
10. “I’m impressed with how you handled that situation.”

(Article from “Family First”)

“A Marriage Commitment”

*As we commit our lives to you, God,
We commit them to each other.
Build in us a household of faith;
Make our foundation sure and strong’
Keep us pure and true, and keep our eyes on you;
Guide our home with wisdom and guard our hearts with love;
Fill our lives with gratitude, and never let us stray,
Let our words be adorned with kindness,
And our thoughts be filled with joy,
Make our home a resting place,
And a refuge for love.*