

“WHERE HAS YOUR BELOVED GONE?”
SONG OF SONGS 6:1-7:10

HOW SHOULD WE ENDURE WITH PATIENCE IN THE ABSENCE OF OUR BELOVED?

I. CHRIST GIVES US _____ IN OUR WAITING

A. OUR RESPONSE SHOULD POINT OTHERS TO HIS _____ (1 PETER 3:15)

B. OUR REJECTION SHOULD POINT OTHERS TO HIS _____ (1 PETER 4:1)

II. CHRIST GIVES US _____ IN OUR WAR

A. _____ “I AM MY BELOVED’S”

B. _____ “HIS DESIRE IS FOR ME”

C. _____ “I MUST SEEK HIM WHOM MY SOUL LOVES” (3:2)

KOINONIA SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS:

1. HOW DO YOU RESPOND TO THE QUESTIONS CONCERNING CHRIST'S "ABSENCE" IN THE WORLD? DISCUSS POSSIBLE RESPONSES TO PARTICULAR AUDIENCES: *ATHEIST, OTHER RELIGIONS, HURTING BELIEVERS, ETC.*
2. HOW DO THE ACTIONS OF OUR LIVES REFLECT OUR BELIEFS ABOUT CHRIST'S RETURN?
3. CONSIDER THE RESPONSE OF THE SHULAMMITE WOMAN TO SOLOMON'S ADVANCES. WHAT ARE PRACTICAL WAYS THAT WE CAN REMAIN SECURE IN GOD'S LOVE FOR US?
4. WHAT ARE PRACTICAL WAYS THAT YOU ARE SEEKING CHRIST IN LIGHT OF HIS RETURN? HOW ARE YOU USING THE GIFTS HE HAS GIVEN YOU FOR HIS GLORY?

HOMEWORK: WHAT'S MY "P.A.R.T."?

PRAY: PRAY FOR THE WORLD TO KNOW CHRIST.

ACT: ESTABLISH PRACTICAL WAYS TO GROW IN CHRIST.

READ: STUDY *SONG OF SONGS 7:10-8:4* FOR NEXT WEEK.

TEACH: FIND OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE WHAT WE'VE LEARNED.