

Mysteries of the Song of Songs Season 5: *Embracing Change in Life's Trials*

DISCOVERING
THE JEWISH
JESUS
לגלות את ישוע היהודי

Scripture

- **Song of Solomon 4:16-5:2**

Awake, O north wind, and come, wind of the South; make my garden breathe out fragrance, let its spices be wafted abroad. May my beloved come into his garden and eat its choice fruits!

I have come into my garden, my sister, my bride; I have gathered my myrrh along with my balsam. I have eaten my honeycomb and my honey; I have drunk my wine and my milk. Eat, friends; drink and imbibe deeply, O lovers. I was asleep but my heart was awake. A voice My beloved was knocking: Open to me, my sister, my darling, my dove, my perfect one. For my head is drenched with dew. My locks with the damp of the night.

Other Scriptures

- Deuteronomy 32: 9
- John 11:35
- Luke 15:10
- James 1:2-3
- 2 Corinthian 1:8-9; 12:7-10
- Luke 22:39-62
- Colossians 1:24
- Philippians 3:10
- James 4:8

Main Points

- The Song of Songs in Hebrew is Shir Hashirim
- If there were never any hard times, you would not become all that God is calling you to be.

Discussion Questions

1. What does our choice to give ourselves to God do for God? How do you feel about this—that God is somehow filled up by our voluntary love for Him.
2. Of what do the north winds speak? What will the winds accomplish in our lives? What New Testament example did Rabbi speak of in relationship to the north winds? What did he experience with God and an affliction he was enduring? What do the Scriptures say about afflictions and sufferings?
3. As the Shulamite woman opens her cup to the Holy Spirit, how did He respond?
4. Did you pray the prayer Rabbi prayed about making your garden fully His? Write your reflections on this prayer and your heart's desire.
5. To this type of prayer, God will respond. Who else became a part of this union with God?