

## Crystallization-Study – Song of Songs

### **Becoming a Terrible Army and the Shulammite**

#### **Becoming a Terrible Army**

- When we become one with God to be God's dwelling place.
  - We are as beautiful as Tirzah and as lovely as Jerusalem in the eyes of God.
  - To the enemy, this lover, this overcomer, is as terrible as an army with banners.
- Banners indicate a readiness to fight and also mean that the victory is won.
- An army fights the battle for God's kingdom in the degradation of God's people to be the overcomers answering the Lord's call.

#### **The Dance of Two Armies**

- S.S. 6:13 – Return, return, O Shulammite;/Return, return, that we may gaze at you./Why should you gaze at the Shulammite,/As upon the dance of two camps?
- By this time the Shulammite is like two camps, or armies, in the eyes of God.
  - These two armies are dancing in celebration of their victory.
- When Jacob saw the two armies of God, he divided his wives, children, and the rest of his possessions into two groups, or “two armies”
  - These two groups are not just the singular army of God but “two armies.”
  - This means we are more than conquerors. It also signifies a strong testimony.
- There being two armies indicates that the country girl was not alone.
  - An army indicates the principle of the Body.
  - Today we are the reality of God's armies.

#### **Becoming the Shulammite**

- Shulammite is the feminine form of Solomon, indicating that now the overcomers have become the same as Christ.
  - She has become the same as Solomon in life, in nature, in expression, and in function for the carrying out of God's economy.
  - We become the same as God and Christ in these four things but not in Their Godhead.
- Now, in the maturity of Christ's life, the overcomers have become the same as Christ in life, nature, expression, and function for the accomplishment of God's eternal economy.

## A Concluding Word

- The romance in Song of Songs is in **four stages**.
  - Attracting and pursuing stage
  - Experiencing the cross, dealing with our “I,” with our self
  - To live in the heavenlies to be God’s new creation in resurrection
  - To live in the sanctuary with the veil dealt with all the time so that we may be one with the Triune God, who is our sanctuary, to have the tope enjoyment in the Divine Trinity.
- In **all stages** of the spiritual life, the **governing principles** are **the same**.
  - Christ’s death
  - Christ’s resurrection
  - Christ’s ascension
  - Our being heavenly, divine (spiritual), and a new creation
- **We should not think that we are far away from attaining and obtaining the highest stages of the spiritual life.** All these stages are attainable and obtainable.
  - Actually in principle **they are ours already**.
  - All the spiritual high points are ours already because they are in the **gene of God**, which has been **dispensed into us**.

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