The Intensity of Genuine Love

Song of Solomon chapters 3, 4

Song #1 - 3:1-4

A. The Literal Approach

- The beloved misses the lover
- The boldness of the lover
- The blessing for the lover

B. The Allegorical Approach

- We have found God but we keep searching.
 - "To have found God and still pursue Him, is the soul's paradox of love" (A.W. Tozer)
- Ps. 27:4, Ps. 42:1
- What does it mean to seek God?

Song #2 – 3:6-11

A. The Literal Approach

- The observer is surprised by the procession
- The beloved is impressed by the appearance of the lover (Solomon)
- The lover seeks to impress the beloved
- The bridegroom is the focus instead of the bride

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B. Allegorical

- What does this say about our relationship with Christ? (see Rev. 19:3-9)

Song #3 – 4:1-15

A. Literal Approach

- What is the lover impressed by?
- What is the depth of his feeling?
- To what does he compare her?

B. The Allegorical Approach

- This song expresses the intensity of Christ's love for us (John 17:22-26, I John 3:1)