

Forerunners for Christ Los Angeles

April 30, 2025 – Song of Songs: The Journey into Wholehearted Love – Rendu Paras

Day 61 – Cherished by Christ

“How fair and how pleasant you are, O love, with your delights!” (Song of Songs 7:6)

Jesus looks at you, His beloved Bride, and speaks these words over you, not in vague generalities, but with a heart burning with delight. He calls you beautiful. Pleasant. Full of delight. In His eyes, you are a joy to behold.

In Song of Songs 7:6–9, we see a stunning shift. Jesus Himself is speaking. His words are filled with admiration and affection. He doesn’t just tolerate you; He celebrates you. He says your stature is like a palm tree, strong, victorious, rooted deep even through drought. And then, He makes a promise: *“I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of its branches.” (v. 8)*

This is His commitment to draw near to you and release more of His presence and power through your life. He desires to take hold of your heart in a new way. He sees your spiritual maturity, your growth, endurance, and your “yes” to Him through the storms. He honors it. He delights in it.

But it doesn’t stop there.

He commissions you in three beautiful ways:

- 1. To nurture others in the power of the Spirit.** Just as breasts nourish, you are called to feed others with the life-giving flow of the Holy Spirit working through you.
- 2. To let the fragrance of your breath refresh others.** Your inner life, your words, your prayers, Jesus sees them as refreshing like apples. They carry the breath of the Spirit.
- 3. To let your mouth be like the best wine.** Your intimacy with Him, your voice lifted in worship and love, is more delightful to Jesus than the finest wine. He says, *“How fair is your love... How much better than wine is your love” (Song 4:10).*

He is not distant or indifferent. He is tender, intentional, and full of desire for connection with you.

So today, hear His voice. Receive His delight. And remember: You are not just barely accepted, you are cherished, anointed, and commissioned to carry the fragrance of heaven.

“You shall love the Lord... with all your heart, soul, and mind.” (Matthew 22:37)