

Song of Solomon 6:1-13 **The Shulamite & Beloved Praise Each Other**

I Am My Beloved's

THE DAUGHTERS OF JERUSALEM

¹Where has your beloved gone, O fairest among women?
Where has your beloved turned aside, That we may seek him with you?

THE SHULAMITE

²My beloved has gone to his garden, To the beds of spices, To feed *his flock* in the gardens, And to gather lilies.
³I *am* my beloved's, And my beloved *is* mine.
He feeds *his flock* among the lilies.

Praise of the Shulamite's Beauty

THE BELOVED

⁴O my love, you *are as* beautiful as Tirzah, Lovely as Jerusalem, Awesome as *an army* with banners!
⁵Turn your eyes away from me, For they have overcome me.
Your hair *is* like a flock of goats Going down from Gilead.
⁶Your teeth *are* like a flock of sheep Which have come up from the washing; Every one bears twins, And none *is* barren among them.
⁷Like a piece of pomegranate *Are* your temples behind your veil.
⁸There are sixty queens And eighty concubines, And virgins without number.
⁹My dove, my perfect one, Is the only one, The only one of her mother, The favorite of the one who bore her.
The daughters saw her And called her blessed, The queens and the concubines, And they praised her.
¹⁰Who is she who looks forth as the morning, Fair as the moon, Clear as the sun, Awesome as *an army* with banners?

THE SHULAMITE

¹¹I went down to the garden of nuts To see the verdure of the valley, To see whether the vine had budded *And* the pomegranates had bloomed.
¹²Before I was even aware, My soul had made me *As* the chariots of my noble people.*

THE BELOVED *AND HIS FRIENDS*

¹³Return, return, O Shulamite; Return, return, that we may look upon you!

THE SHULAMITE

What would you see in the Shulamite — As it were, the dance of the two camps?*

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Observations:

THE DAUGHTERS OF JERUSALEM

- ✧ Where has your beloved gone, O fairest among women?
Where has your beloved turned aside, That we may seek him with you? [\[Song of Solomon 6:1\]](#)
- ✧ The Shulamite had asked the Daughters of Jerusalem to take a message to her beloved if they find him. [\[Song of Solomon 5:8\]](#)
- ✧ They ask her where to focus their search.
- ✧ My beloved has gone to his garden, To the beds of spices, To feed *his flock* in the gardens, And to gather lilies.
I *am* my beloved's, And my beloved *is* mine.
He feeds *his flock* among the lilies. [\[Song of Solomon 6:2-3\]](#)
- ✧ The Shulamite had likened herself as a lily of the field. [\[Song of Solomon 2:1\]](#)
- ✧ Solomon had likened her to a lily among thorns as compared to other women. [\[Song of Solomon 2:2\]](#)
- ✧ She quickly claimed a solitary bond with her lover. (I am my beloved's and he is mine).
- ✧ Though he feeds his flock among the lilies of the field.

THE BELOVED

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My dove, my perfect one, Is the only one, The only one of her mother, The favorite of the one who bore her.
The daughters saw her And called her blessed, The queens and the concubines, And they praised her.
Who is she who looks forth as the morning, Fair as the moon, Clear as the sun, Awesome as *an army* with banners? [\[Song of Solomon 6:4-10\]](#)
- ✧ Solomon described her beauty.
- ✧ I went down to the garden of nuts To see the verdure of the valley, To see whether the vine had budded *And* the pomegranates had bloomed.
Before I was even aware, My soul had made me *As* the chariots of my noble people.*
[\[Song of Solomon 6:11-12\]](#)
- ✧ Solomon had gone down to the valley to view the development of the fruit there.
- ✧ He envisioned himself among the chariots of Israel.

THE BELOVED *AND HIS FRIENDS*

- ✧ Return, return, O Shulamite; Return, return, that we may look upon you! [\[Song of Solomon 6:13\]](#)
- ✧ Solomon and his friends desire to look upon the beauty of the Shulamite.

THE SHULAMITE

- ✧ What would you see in the Shulamite – As it were, the dance of the two camps?* [\[Song of Solomon 6:13\]](#)
- ✧ She asked what they wanted to see in her, the dance of the two camps?
A reference to the two camps when Jacob met the host of angels and called the place Mahanaim (two camps) [\[Genesis 32:1-2\]](#)