

The Martin Bucer Institute for Biblical Studies

Special Session: The Song of Solomon

Lecture #4: Flame of Yah

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I. Allegory?

A. Theme of the Song: 6-7; phrase “flame of Yah.”

B. NT allusions to the Song.

1. Jesus knocking, Revelation 3:20 with SoS 5:2-5

2. Parable of vineyard, cf. Isaiah 5

3. Spotless bride, Ephesians 5:26-26 with SoS 4:7.

4. Lame leaping, SoS 2 with Isaiah 35 and Matthew 15:30, etc.

II. If this is about Yahweh and Israel, Christ and the Church, what do we learn from the Song?

A. Fresh illumination of well-known Scriptures.

1. Spirit as dove; eyes like dove.

2. Fragrance of Christ, 2 Corinthians 2:15-16

3. Christ on the tree, cf. SoS 7:6-8

B. Fresh understanding of God, Christ, Church.

1. Divine Eros.

2. Eucharistic bride.

3. Brides and Harlots.

4. Bride and “daughters of Jerusalem.”