

THE GREATEST LOVE SONG
March Sermon Series

Experiencing A Deeper Love

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INTRO:

How would you define love? People may define love according to their experience or according to what they watched in the movie or read in the novel. Because love is an abstract thing so it is not easy to describe it.

The **encyclopedia** may tell us that love is a set of emotions and behaviours characterized by intimacy, passion, and commitment. It involves care, closeness, protectiveness, attraction, affection, and trust. Love can vary in intensity and can change over time.

Love encompasses a range of strong and positive emotional and mental states, from the most sublime virtue or good habit, the deepest interpersonal affection, to the simplest pleasure. An example of this range of meanings is that the love of a mother differs from the love of a spouse, which differs from the love for food. Most commonly, love refers to a feeling of a strong attraction and emotional

attachment.

But the good news is no matter how this world try to define love, we can have a true understanding and even an experience about that true love, because **God is love**
1John.4:8.

8 He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

8 Barangsiapa tidak mengasihi, ia tidak mengenal Allah, sebab Allah adalah kasih.



1. Is that true story or prophetic?
2. Which come first: sex OR sin?

The greatest song of all. The greatest love song ever. the greatest of wedding songs ever penned.

Because it is about something divine. And truly that love is can only be found **within the true marriage!**

Theme: wedded love – marriage love.

The book contains references to at least **15 different species of animals** and **21 varieties of plant life.**

This book was inspired by the Holy Spirit and incorporated into the Scriptures to underscore the divine origin of the joy and dignity of human love in marriage. Genesis reveals that human sexuality and marriage preceded the fall of humankind into sin (Gen 2:18-25).

Though sin has marred this important area of human experience, God wants us to know that it can be pure, wholesome and beautiful.



EPHESIANS 5

³¹ “For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” ³² This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.



EFESUS 5

31 Sebab itu laki-laki akan meninggalkan ayahnya dan ibunya dan bersatu dengan isterinya, sehingga keduanya itu menjadi satu daging.

32 Rahasia ini besar, tetapi yang aku maksudkan ialah hubungan Kristus dan jemaat.

Do the believers need to have marriage so that they can learn that greatest mystery about the divine relationship between Christ and the church?

There is a gift of celibacy *Mat.19:12*.

¹² For there are eunuchs who were born thus from their mother’s womb, and there are eunuchs who were made eunuchs by men, and there are eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs **for the kingdom of heaven’s sake**. He who is able to accept it, let him accept it.”

¹² Ada orang yang tidak dapat kawin karena ia memang

lahir demikian dari rahim ibunya, dan ada orang yang dijadikan demikian oleh orang lain, dan ada orang yang membuat dirinya demikian **karena kemauannya sendiri oleh karena Kerajaan Sorga**. Siapa yang dapat mengerti hendaklah ia mengerti."

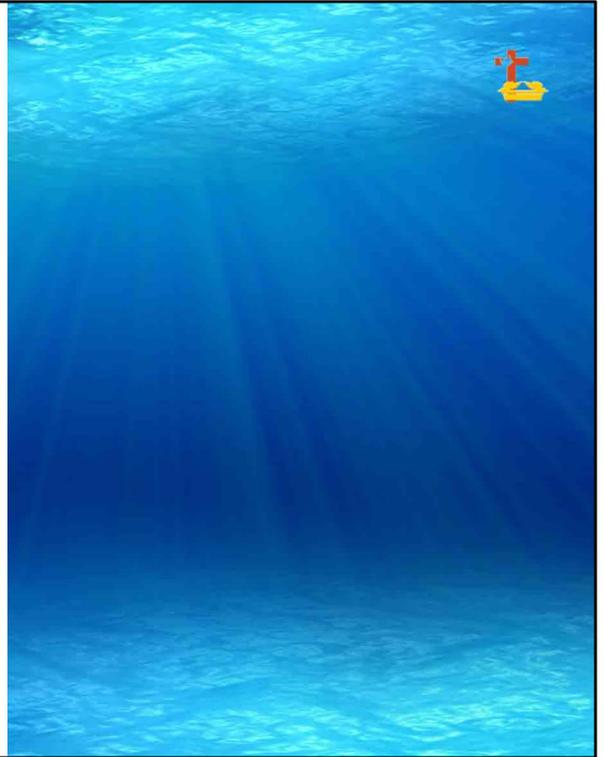
By understanding the purpose and the enjoyment of holy marriage from the perspective of the Bible, every believer (including those with the gift of celibacy) will be able to understand and experience that deeper love!

EXPERIENCING A DEEPER LOVE

Have I *personally* experience the love of God?

I can feel His love but it is *shallow*.
How to go *deeper*?

How to move forward from experiencing *occasionally* to experiencing *progressively*?





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BETTER THAN WINE

SONGS 1

² Let him kiss me with
the kisses of his
mouth—For your love is
better than wine.



The wedding kiss

KIDUNG AGUNG 1

2 --Kiranya ia mencium aku dengan kecupan! Karena cintamu lebih nikmat dari pada anggur,

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Apparent Consumption of Alcohol, Australia

Provides annual volume of alcohol available for consumption by types of alcoholic beverage

Reference period 2017-18 financial year

Released 9/09/2019

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Key statistics

- 191.2 million litres of pure alcohol was available for consumption.
- This equates to 9.51 litres of pure alcohol available per person.
- 12.43 litres per person was consumed by the 77% of persons who consumed alcohol last year.

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Wine

Consumption of pure alcohol

73.9 million litres of pure alcohol in wine was available for consumption. This was down slightly from 74.1 million litres in the previous year.

Per capita consumption

An average of 3.67 litres of pure alcohol from wine was consumed by Australians aged 15 years and over.

- This was down from the 3.74 litres per capita observed in the previous year.
- This continues the declining trend of wine consumption from the peak of 4.04 litres per person in 2009-10.

Adjusting for the population who consume wine, per capita consumption was estimated to be 9.49 litres. This is equivalent to 2.08 standard drinks per day among wine drinkers.

Type

The share of pure alcohol in wine by wine type has been relatively stable in recent years.

- White wine accounted for 46.2% of the alcohol in wine,
- Red wine made up 40.2%, and
- Other wines 13.6%.



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DEUTERONOMY 32

32 For their vine is of **the vine of Sodom** and of **the fields of Gomorrah**; Their grapes are **grapes of gall**, their clusters are **bitter**.

33 Their wine is **the poison of serpents**, and **the cruel venom of cobras**.



ULANGAN 32

32 Sesungguhnya, pohon anggur mereka berasal dari pohon anggur Sodom, dan dari kebun-kebun Gomora; buah anggur mereka adalah buah anggur yang beracun, pahit gugusan-gugusannya.

33 Air anggur mereka adalah racun ular, dan bisa ular tedung yang keras ganas.



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EPHESIANS 5

¹⁷ Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but **be filled with the Spirit,**



EFESUS 5

17 Sebab itu janganlah kamu bodoh, tetapi usahakanlah supaya kamu mengerti kehendak Tuhan.

18 Dan janganlah kamu mabuk oleh anggur, karena anggur menimbulkan hawa nafsu, tetapi hendaklah kamu penuh dengan Roh,

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KEEP FOLLOWING THE FOOTSTEPS

SONGS 1

⁷ Tell me, O you whom I
love, where you feed *your*
flock, where you
make *it* rest at noon.

For why should I be as
one who veils (wanders)
herself by the flocks of
your companions?



KIDUNG AGUNG 1

7 Ceriterakanlah kepadaku, jantung hatiku, di mana kakanda menggembalakan domba, di mana kakanda membiarkan domba-domba berbaring pada petang hari. Karena mengapa aku akan jadi serupa pengembara dekat kawan-kawan domba teman-temanmu?

8 --Jika engkau tak tahu, hai jelita di antara wanita, ikutilah jejak-jejak domba, dan gembalakanlah anak-anak kambingmu dekat perkemahan para gembala.

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SONGS 1

The Beloved

⁸ If you do not know, O fairest among women, **Follow in the footsteps of the flock,** and feed your little goats beside the shepherds' tents.



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Keep following the will of God. Apostle Paul behaved himself like **the bound of the Spirit Ac.20:22.**

22 And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there, **23** except th

22 Tetapi sekarang sebagai tawanan Roh aku pergi ke Yerusalem dan aku tidak tahu apa yang akan terjadi atas diriku di situ.

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LUKE 22

28 “But you are **those who have continued with Me in My trials.**

29 And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed one upon Me,



LUKAS 22:28-29

28 Kamulah yang tetap tinggal bersama-sama dengan Aku dalam segala percobaan yang Aku alami.

29 Dan Aku menentukan hak-hak Kerajaan bagi kamu, sama seperti Bapa-Ku menentukannya bagi-Ku,



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BE BRAVE LIKE A LILY AMONG THORNS

SONGS 2

¹ I am the rose of Sharon,
and **the lily of the valleys.**

The Beloved

² **Like a lily among thorns,**
so is **my love among the**
daughters.



KIDUNG 2

1 Bunga mawar dari Saron aku, bunga bakung di lembah-
lembah.

2 --Seperti bunga bakung di antara duri-duri, demikianlah
manisku di antara gadis-gadis.

Receive a strong identity in Christ and keep living in it!

You are the SALT of the earth.

You are the LIGHT of the world.

You are a SHEEP in the midst of wolves *Mat.10:16.*

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by
the renewing of your mind *Rom.12:2.*

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BE BRAVE LIKE A LILY AMONG THORNS

1PETER 2 ⁹ But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light;



1PETRUS 2

9 Tetapi kamulah bangsa yang terpilih, imamat yang rajani, bangsa yang kudus, umat kepunyaan Allah sendiri, supaya kamu memberitakan perbuatan-perbuatan yang besar dari Dia, yang telah memanggil kamu keluar dari kegelapan kepada terang-Nya yang ajaib:

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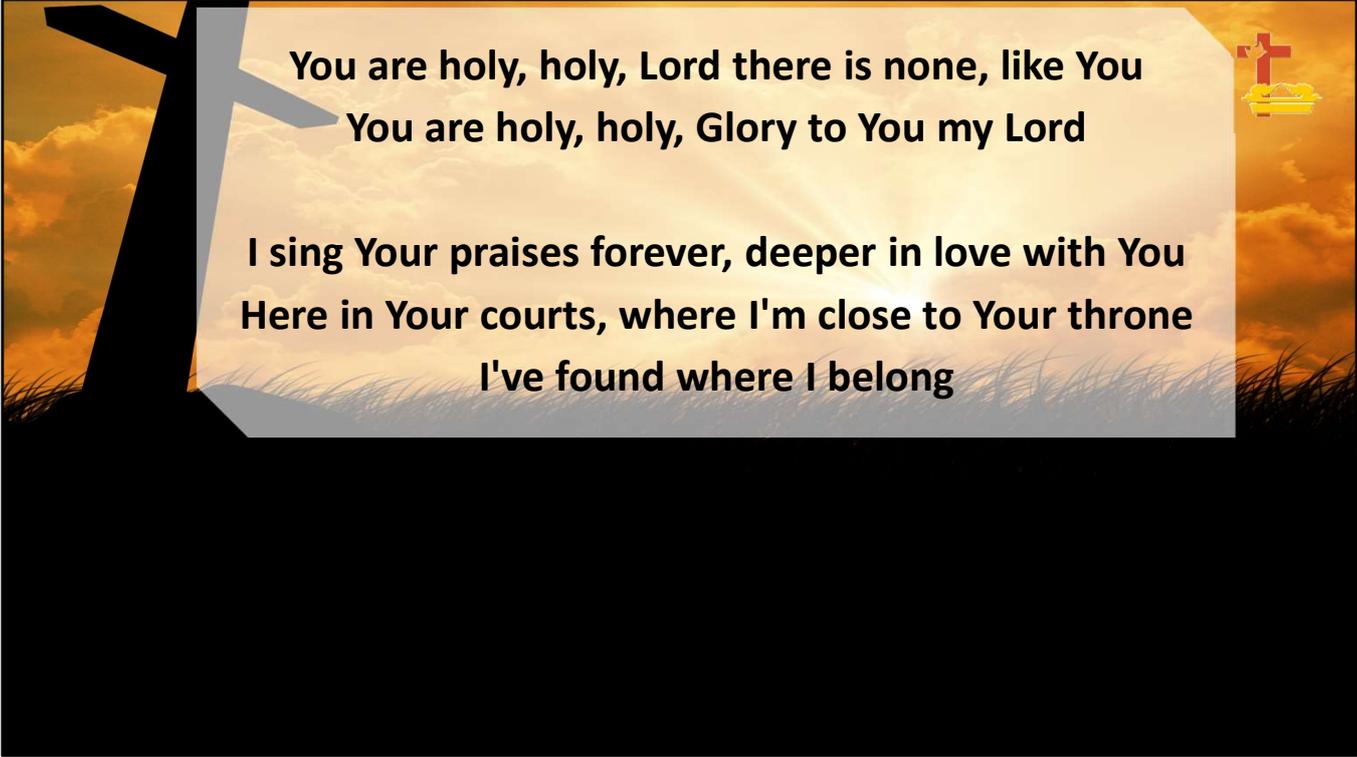
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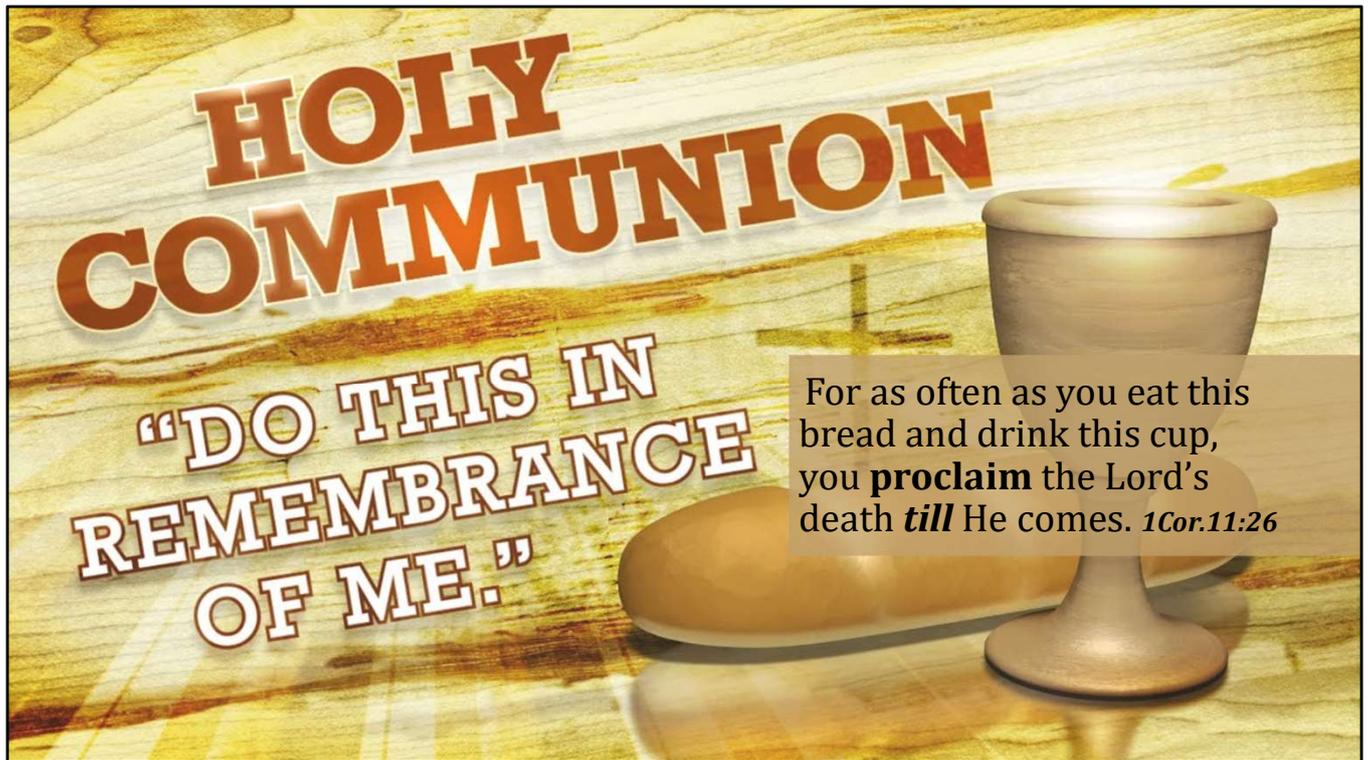
² **Like a lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters.**



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**You are holy, holy, Lord there is none, like You
You are holy, holy, Glory to You my Lord**

**I sing Your praises forever, deeper in love with You
Here in Your courts, where I'm close to Your throne
I've found where I belong**



A friendly reminder for all of us: Holy Communion is only for those who already baptised in the water. If there is anyone want to commit their life in Jesus, receiving Jesus as the Saviour in their life, please feel free to call us the pastoral team so that we can help you with that commitment and go together with you in that journey of faith and prepare for the water baptism.

1CORINTHIANS 11:23-25

The Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, **“Take, eat; This is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.”**

In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, **“This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”**

John 15:4-5, 1Corinthians 11:23-25, 1Corinthians 10:16-17

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. “I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

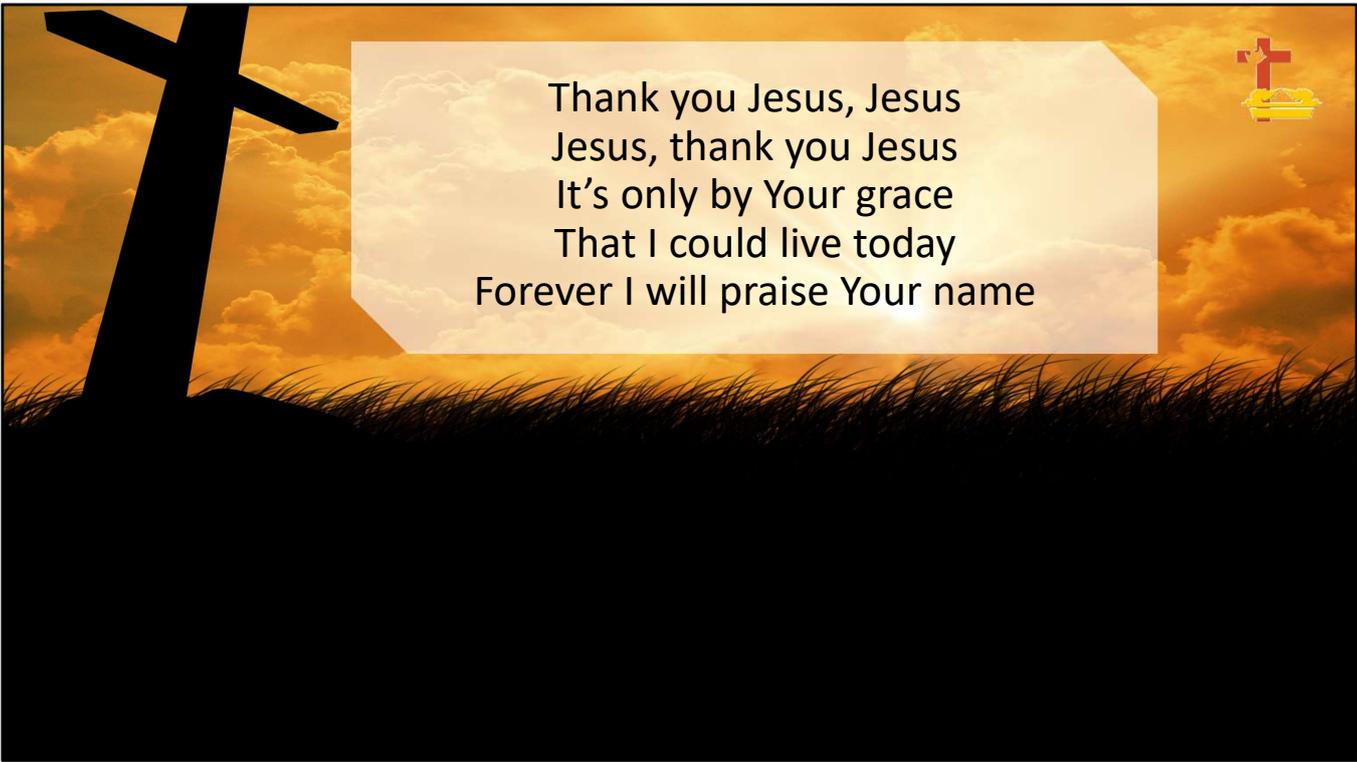
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For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread.

The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?

In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ?



Thank you Jesus, Jesus
Jesus, thank you Jesus
It's only by Your grace
That I could live today
Forever I will praise Your name





GOD BLESS YOU!

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK WITH JESUS

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