

**Love, Marriage and Human Sexuality:** An Exposition of Song of Songs and a Review of the PCA Study Report on Human Sexuality

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**Worksheet #7:** Song of Songs Chapter 4:1-16 – Affirmations and the Pursuit of the Beautiful!

- I. Section 1: The Beautiful Bride (vv. 1-7)
  - A. How does the poetic description of the woman's beauty stand out?
  - B. What is attraction?
  - C. What are we pursuing?
    - a. Do we desire the person who has features, or the features who belong to a person?
    - b. How do we know we are attracted to the person?
- II. Section 2: The Consummation (vv. 8-16)
  - A. The images in this section describes vulnerability and openness. How does intimacy develop in this passage?
  - B. How can husbands and wives struggle to approach sexual intimacy in union?
  - C. How does this passage describe delight in sexual union?
- III. The Longing for Christ's Return
  - A. How is our longing for Christ's Return relational (about the person of Christ) and how is it situational (present day sorrows)?

Reflection Questions:

- 1) How do you experience sexual union as more than a physical act?
- 2) How do the sexual images of our culture contrast with this passage?