

## KINGDOM LIVING

I found myself in the courts of King Ahasuerus. I didn't seem to leave the courts but watched everything that was going on...for weeks. I walked through the crowds of noblemen as the King proclaimed his laws and listened to the wisdom of the day, as he made decisions regarding cases and accepted tributes paid to him from his various provinces. As I watched from various discreet positions; behind a column or a courtesan, or immersed in a crowd, an angel would come up to me and point out things I was to pay particular attention to. I was surprised to find angels milling through the crowd until I realized that they have always done this. They witness every historical event, every present time gathering. They are quite involved in the affairs of man waiting to act on the Lord's commands right away.

I had never before paid much attention to the book of Esther – it was too male-domineering for me to stomach – and I even found the movie boring until this month when it was brought to my attention as the Key to Seeing into the Heavenly realms.

Now let me show you (and I was surprised) why this book represents the Key To Seeing into the heavenly realms.

The King was never seen by the masses. Only those who are of noble bearing were invited into the presence of the King, and this seemed to be only on special occasions. There was a group of 7 princes of the land that were permitted to come into the King's presence whenever they wanted because they understood the law and justice, and He converses with them because He trusted and respected them. These seven princes were named with kingly attributes; illustrious (glorious, as deeds or works), a star (any heavenly body (except the moon), a person's destiny), a testimony to them (open declaration or profession), the Decalogue as inscribed on the two tables of the law, glory of God (splendor, brightness, magnificence and beauty), lofty (exalted in rank, dignity, or character), worthy (having adequate or great merit, character, or value) and dignified (grave, august, noble).

The Kingdom, the city and the land are all in the same relative place; just as the three heavens are all in the same place. The King, although He lives in the land and in the city, is behind the walls of a citadel where no one can see Him, hear Him, or be with Him. There are different levels of citizens in His kingdom: those within His presence, those within the citadel but not in His presence, those who live beyond the walls but still live in the city, and those who live beyond the borders of the city but are still within the land. There are two types of citizens within the country: those that are true citizens by birth and those who are conquered citizens and pay tribute to the King under duress or force.

There are several types of citizens within the city and land: Those who serve but are castrated and unable to produce seed or bear life although their names carry the various attributes of service (faithful, booty, donkey driver, in the wine press, God-given, star and severe, in their wine press, strictness); also there are those who are old and bitter, no longer able to produce life or seed; then you have the young, immature children who simply play, sleep and eat, who are totally dependent on others for their care; next, the young men who are able to work, fight or guard and who can produce seed; and the young maidens who are beautiful because they alone are able to accept seed and produce fruit. (Please note these are not specific ages of people but are types of people.) There are those who are maimed and crippled by the ravages of life or generational inheritance; those that beg on the street; those who work and pay their own way, but never accepting the responsibilities of mature life.

I did not know this until the past couple of weeks. I was astounded at the revelation. I also had to repent for my previous conviction about the book of Esther, admitting that God has a reason for everything even though I may not be aware of it.

One question continued to plague me. Why would the Lord use a Persian king who was arrogant, cruel and a despot to symbolize Himself? That was my question for a very long time and it was this question that made me dismiss the book from any further studies. I also struggled with the king's treatment of Vashti.

It was pointed out to me that the one main similarity with God is that the Persian kings were the only ones in all of history whose law was irrevocable. When the Lord decrees a law it is also irrevocable. However, as we see, there is room for "Come now, let us reason together..."

And then the angels pointed out to me that I was to take note of every word in the story. It turns out every name, color and number used, point to the King of Heaven.

The first thing I found was the meaning of King Ahasuerus – "I will be silent and poor."

I argued, "Come on! We are talking about God here. He is not silent and He certainly is not poor." So again I dismissed my instruction! and passed by that name, deciding that the other names showed more promise. However, the Lord showed me that this was His motive in creating the Bride, to show His longing for the Bride, because without us He felt "silent and poor". It is the reason for our creation.

I know this is a heretical thought that God could be silent and poor. But there is other scripture to back it up.

Genesis 2:18 And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." (NKJ)

God did not want to be alone. He wanted a helper comparable to him. He wanted a Bride that would become the one in Revelation 22:17: And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely. (NKJ)

He created us for His pleasure. Make no mistake, He made you because He purposed to take pleasure in you alone...in your character and uniqueness. And you give Him cause to speak, children to teach and share with, and riches to treasure. Not silent and poor, but flowing with communication and riches.

The second thing to note is that this story takes place during a period when the king reigned over 127 provinces; from India to Ethiopia . Here we are shown that we are to flee away from death and give thanks. Give thanks because this book is written for us, the Children of Promise. It was written to lay out the full gospel. It is about the coming world, the Kingdom of God , the redemption of mankind.

127 = 100 + 27

This book is written for the "Children of Promise" (100) and is about preaching the Gospel, witnessing. (27)

127 = 107 + 20

This book is about the Kingdom of God , the World To Come (107) and the Redemption of Mankind (20)

India means Flee away and give ye thanks  
Ethiopia is translated as black

Put another way, we are children of sin born into sin and, according to God's law, there is absolutely no way that we could ever be saved or reinstated. However, He gave His only begotten Son to pay the perfect price for our sin and although the law is not changed, it is satisfied.

God is a God of law. He honors His law which is irrevocable and unchangeable. However, Lucifer uses that law to his own advantage against us. We need to understand the King and how He functions. We need to understand that law and its justice. Let's examine more names from Esther's story.

He showed the riches of his kingdom in Shushan the citadel.

Shushan: lily (Jesus is the lily of the field – the Bridegroom feeds His flocks in the lily field);  
citadel: fortress, stronghold, refuge, temple

He displayed the riches of his kingdom for 180 days after which he held a party (great feast) for 7 days. Here we see the weakness and inventions of man covered by the blood of Christ in its completeness and fullness.

180 days is  $\frac{1}{2}$  time or 6 X 30 days (30 days being the biblical month).  
6 is the number man, the weakness of man, and the inventions of man.  
30 is the number of the blood of Christ and dedication.  
180 is the weakness of man covered by the blood of Christ.  
7 is the number of completeness and fullness.

Look at some of the things in this kingdom of Shushan.

There was white and blue linen fastened with purple on silver rods and marble pillars which speak of the purity and holiness of His heavenly grace and the royalty of His redemption.

Blue: heavenly grace;  
white: purity and holiness;  
purple: royalty;  
silver: redemption.

The couches were gold and silver on a mosaic pavement of alabaster, turquoise and white and black marble. Here we see the grand plan and purpose of God. We see how His glory, purity and redemption overtake death. Now I see this story needs to be told!

We see the ultimate purpose of mankind. The union of man and God as we, the mere calcium (bones) beings become the container for the fine ointment of the Holy Spirit.

Gold: God's glory;  
silver: redemption;  
turquoise: communication;  
white: purity;  
black: death

Alabaster: (mined in Alabastron , Egypt ) is calcite (carbonate) of calcium prized to keep ointments: represents the call of man which is to house the Holy Spirit. Of course, the calcium is the building block for bones which hold life or ointment because the marrow produces all cellular life including blood cells.

Each drinking vessel was unique and made of gold. We, being unique, are to both drink and pour out God's glory.

Gold: God's glory or nature

And the wine was in abundance according to the King's generosity. And in accordance with the law, drinking was not compulsory but everyone should do according to his own pleasure in this matter.

Wine: the life of God, Holy Spirit (we are not compelled by law to partake of the Holy Spirit or just how much of the life of God we consume. It is completely our choice.

And his queen also gave a feast in his royal palace for the women. She too is to do what the King is doing, by holding a great feast for the women or the church.

He gave commands his 7 eunuchs (castrated men who served as courtiers, bodyguards and ministers of state).

Eunuch – castrated man unable to bear the seed of life

They were called according to their station;

Mehuwman – faithful  
Biztha – booty  
Charbowna – donkey driver  
Bigtha – in the wine press  
Abagtha – God-given  
Zetha – star  
Karkac – severe

But he communed with his wise men. This was the manner of the king toward all who knew law and justice, the 7 wisemen who were closest to him, the seven princes of Persia and Media, who had access to the king's presence and who ranked highest in the kingdom. These are men who understand the law and justice, and it is them alone who he will speak to as equals, as was his custom. It was with these men he maintained a relationship and friendships. Striking co-relation between the names of the kings wise men and the characteristics of a heavenly walk.

Persia – pure and splendid  
Media – middle land  
Carshena – illustrious  
Shethar – a star  
Admatha – a testimony to them  
Tarshiysh – yellow jasper – glory of God, splendor, brightness, magnificence and beauty  
Meres – lofty

Marsena – worthy  
Memucan – dignified

Alright, now that we have established the meaning of everything in the first couple of verses, let's move on to the second thing that has always bothered me about this story. The King asked his queen to dance naked before his court. Well, let me clear up that misunderstanding – she was only asked to come before the court wearing her crown. I have always been taught, and so simply accepted, that she was asked to dance wearing only her crown. That is what I assumed when I read the book. But I was wrong, as are many traditions of man.

Vashti was only asked to show her beauty (wearing the crown) to the people and the officials for she was beautiful to behold. Show means to cause to see, or look at, inspect, perceive and consider. He wanted his people to see her as he saw her for she was good, excellent, valuable in estimation, happy, prosperous, kind....

Vashti (beautiful) was the queen of the king. She was beautiful beyond comparison because she was the queen of the king. She was his bride, his wife, his queen. She was to be one with the king as was the custom of the land it was required of her to be obedient to the king in all things. It was her beauty to be obedient and in unity. He desired to show her beauty to everyone who was present. He asked her to come wearing the crown, the one item that showed her station in the kingdom.

We are to be the queen, but above all it is our obedience and our unity that is most prized. He was proud of her, and if you do not like that word, he was very pleased with her. He knew her completely and he was still pleased with her. She was everything he expected in a wife. She was royal and exquisite in his sight. Regardless of what she thought of herself, he was so pleased with her he wanted his people to see her as he saw her. He wanted his queen to be seen by his people...just as our beauty is to be seen by His people, nothing hidden.

No pretence. No hidden agendas. No hedged statements. No half-truths... nothing but the life within put on display. The crown of our calling, the crown of our covering, the crown of our identity...the crown that says we are His bride.

What Vashti didn't realize was that by dishonoring the king's request she dishonored both herself and the king...which meant she was not fully prepared in purity.

But Vashti was too busy doing her good work with the women's feast; she was too self important. Her work was of greater importance than her obedience. She was throwing a feast for the women and that was all that mattered...surely the king would know that if he took a minute to think about it.

She was not about to just drop HER work and labors. Nor was she going to take part in his show and tell party games. While he was king of the land with his nobles, she was making a name for herself among the women...who would make her a household name among all the people.

What comes to mind is the statement:

Matthew 7:21-23 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many

wonders in Your name?' And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!' (NKJ)

At the words of Memucan (dignified) the King gave her place to another, making it law, because her actions would have caused others to be disobedient. Although I chagrin at the symbolism here of women blindly obeying their husbands and honoring them regardless of motive or spirit, I have to step beyond myself and see what God is saying.

We are not to be a stumbling block to anyone but we are to be a good example. That is basically what this is about. In her position she set a bad example – one of disobedience, one of closet Christian, one of mistrust, one of dishonor, one of pride....

If she had come she would have set the example of women, the Bride, being visible and trusting instead of artificial, fearful, defiant, dishonoring...and replaced.

We need to be careful if we want the position we must embrace the responsibility.

Sometime later, missing the queen, the King's servants told him to have all his appointed officers in the provinces gather together all the beautiful virgins in the land and bring them to Shushan the citadel and place them under the care of the eunuch Hegai (whose name means eunuch – it was his place, his calling, to look after and prepare the Bride of Christ, an apostle – a delegate, messenger, one sent forth with orders).

Now, at this time, Mordecai was living in the citadel. I love how the entire family history of the man is established by the names of his genealogy. Mordecai was a little man in the kingdom of Babylon , although he was the son of the right hand, who, during the time when Jehovah promised to establish His people, Mordecai's people were taken captive and carried away to Babylon into slavery. However, Shimei was renowned, I believe for his spiritual walk in the land of darkness. Shimei's son was one who enlightens and who taught Mordecai the things of God. Mordecai however recognized his place and his calling in life. He was a little man in the service of the king.

Mordecai – little man

Jair – he enlightens

Shimei – renowned

Kish – bent – carried away into slavery along with King Jeconiah “Jehovah will establish”

Benjamite – the son of the right hand

While pondering this, I was shown the communion and the words of Paul.

1 Corinthians 11:29-32 “...For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened by the Lord, that we may not be condemned with the world.” (NKJ)

We do not discern the Lord's body. But what does discern mean?

1252 diakrino- to separate, to make a distinction, to discriminate, to prefer, to determine

Mordecai discerned his position or part in the Lord's body. He also discerned Esther's part in the body...although he certainly did not discern her complete role she would play concerning God's people. We have a responsibility to separate and make a proper distinction of the Lord's body; who is who and what is their part in the Lord's body. We need to rightly discriminate each one's part in the Body of Christ and not pick the part we like best.

Now Mordecai, a man of God, raised his uncle's daughter as his own. Her name was Hadassah, Hebrew for Esther.

Hadassah – myrtle (a perennial shrub with white flowers that are used for perfume; symbolic of Palestine )

And when he heard the king's decree, he took Esther, who already lived in the shadow of the citadel, who was already within the city, to Hegai. Esther (whose name means “star”) found favor with the eunuch who gave her not only the preparations of purification, but also an allowance (the original Hebrew is “something weighed out”), seven personal handmaidens and moved her into the best place in the house of women within the king's palace.

Esther was accepted, not because of her lineage or her family ties. It did not matter that she was one of the “chosen people”. Her beauty had caused her to be chosen once again. Esther, who was one of the chosen people of God was a slave in the land of captivity. She lived in the shadow of the King, yet she was a slave in the land. How much like us she was. We live in the protective shadow of our Savior, the King of all creation, yet we still live in slavery and poverty when our inheritance is within our reach and in our sight...if we could only see beyond the walls, to see the face of our Beloved, our husband, our future, our destiny.

It has also bothered me why Mordecai told her not to tell anyone who she was. But I now understand she was to be received on her own merit. We all have to be accepted on the merit of who we are in Christ, not our natural genealogy, connections or accomplishments. We take nothing into the citadel with us. We have nothing a king would want...accept who we are, who we are to be.

That is all we have to offer the King of creation. We come into His presence, into His courts with nothing except what He has originally given us...just me.

The question that kept coming to me over and over again is, “What makes a person chosen?”

After going through a parade of thoughts, I was shown a young maiden. With each new argument or thought, I again saw a young maiden. Then there were different people – the very young, children, the very old, men...and again I was shown a young maiden. And then I understood. What make a person a chosen person is that they are of the age (willing) to bear fruit. The old are dried up; the young are not mature; men cannot bear fruit, they can only produce seed.

We are chosen and beautiful for our ability to bear fruit which is every Christian's responsibility – men and women – for a young maiden is symbolic of our place in kingdom life.

Esther was not chosen because she lived in the shadow of the citadel or because she was a Jewess, part of the chosen people. She was chosen because she was a beautiful young virgin...eligible.

But even though she came with nothing but who she was, she still had to go through 12 months of preparation and purification before she could be presented to the King.

Esther, like all the virgins, was prepared for 12 months before they were permitted to go before the King. That meant 6 months with the oil of myrrh and 6 months with perfumes and preparations for beautifying women.

Myrrh: highly prized in ancient times and worth more than its weight in gold – it was used in perfumes and incense, embalming the dead and is currently used in liniments and healing salves. It was worth 5 times that of Frankincense that was used in the temple and religious ceremonies/rituals. What does this mean? Its healing properties are prized more than the Glory of God and is worth more than the religious ceremonies and rites men like to perform...5 times (grace) more than ceremonies and rites. For what good is the Glory of God if He cannot or will not heal His people?

For the first 6 months, 180 days, Esther was submitted to the process of healing and salvation from every telltale wound, mark, scar, etcetera in her life. She entered into this time carrying the inventions of man (thoughts, ideas and misunderstandings), under the bondage of the weakness of man (born into sin) to be healed by that which the Lord holds even higher than His own glory – the restoration, salvation and healing of His people, His bride, His beloved.

6 is the number man, the weakness of man, and the inventions of man.

30 is the number of the blood of Christ and dedication.

180 is the weakness of man covered by the blood of Christ.

For the next 6 months, another 180 days, Esther was submitted to perfumes and the preparations for beautifying women.

I had a really hard time with this and I told the Lord I couldn't see anything wonderful or spiritual about someone who took a bath for a year. So I was allowed to see the whole ceremony. I watched for the entire 12 months as Esther was prepared to meet her king. (Sometimes I feel like a voyeur or a spy.)

After the time of healing and examining all her issues, and covering herself completely with the healing, saving blood of Christ, she was instructed in the ways of the king himself. She was taught to put aside everything she had learned and make herself presentable to the king by learning the ways of the king.

She no longer ate from a worn wooden bowl with a worn wooden spoon, she now used royal tableware complete with several utensils. She no longer drank from wooden cups that retained the flavor of whatever it had previously held, but she had to become accustomed to the pure taste of gold goblets and utensils. Her palate had to change; her mannerisms had to change; her ideals of acceptable etiquette had to change. Her expectations of life had to change. She had to learn about life in the royal courts. This was part of her beauty – to be flawless in every point of kingdom living before the king.

As I was discussing this with my friends in our home church Monday night, someone said – “We are to die to self and have more of Christ within us.”

My spirit scrunched when I heard those words. These are Christianese terms we have used for generations to subdue one's uniqueness and conform us into their perception of holy. I will not entertain these words; that is not our calling.

We are not to die to ourself for we are who God made us to be – each one unique in our own special way. We are not to be Christ or so much like Christ that we are lost, but we were created to have a holy nature, holy attributes, holy characteristics, holiness. Well, we lost or buried that when we chose Lucifer and were thus born into the sinful nature of our fathers (well, Adam and Eve). What we are to die to is the influence Lucifer has had in our lives; to the concept of the lie we have bought. A new mindset, a renewed mind...this is the provision to replace what I have thought of myself with the words the Lord says of me. He calls me beautiful, he calls me righteous, he calls me redeemed, he calls me his friend, his bride, his child.

I remember my first deliverance. My heart broke as I sat before the pastor who wanted to deliver me of a spirit (two actually) who had been with me since I was seven years old. We had been together so long that my very mannerisms were learned from these spirits. Every idea I had about God I had learned from their “insightful” guidance. As I sat there willing to be delivered (but not wanting to give them up) I wept because “What would I be without them? Who would I be? There was no me!”

That is our problem. We think we are who we have been, but how much of that is who God designed? Where is the person that God planned to be me? How much of who we are has been changed and influenced by false teaching and Satanic influence? I believe that we have been in the dark ages for over 6000 years and it is just now that we are coming into some light. We are in the 1000 year reign of Christ upon the earth, the age of freedom and truth; the age of freedom and restoration. Oh, we had a brief 50 years of restoration of truth right after Jesus was crucified, but that was quickly stolen and hidden again by false religion and doctrines.

I have come a long way in my walk with the Lord. I have let His healing, the restorative properties of His blood and His love wash over me. I let Him point out problem areas, and for the most part, I have faced them and dealt with them...I still hold onto a few well entrenched impurities in a holding pattern.

Soak in the bath of His myrrh, allowing the most prized essence in all His kingdom wash over you and heal every wound and hurt you've ever received,. Look at the issues that have influenced your life and get rid of everything that is not fit for the kingdom, everything that was a lie. The poverty and despair you learned in the school of Lucifer as he infiltrated lives with every half-truth and lie that mankind fully embraces and has done for millennia. Learn of the King and learn the truth so that you can be freed from the encumbrances of this life.

It was no mistake that Esther could only learn these truths and get this healing inside the walls of the citadel. It was no mistake that she was separated from the rest of the world in order to divest herself of the world's contamination in order to be ready to immerse herself in the truth of the kingdom. And it was no mistake that she had to submit to the healing, the restorative baths of myrrh, before she could be trained in the preparations of kingdom life.

These are the keys to seeing into the kingdom.

- Be healed in every area of your life.
- Be willing to examine your issues.

- Learn of kingdom life
- Get cleansed of the lies of this world and the attitudes of men you have embraced

And when she was done, and when it was her turn to go in to see the king, she could take one thing, whatever she desired, from the woman's quarters to the king's palace.

For the first time, after she is prepared, we learn that her father's name is Abihail, "My father is might," portraying that she is the daughter of God Almighty, she is chosen. Was this placement an error? Up to this point he was just Mordecai's uncle. But now we see His real identity as well as Esther's. She was created by the Lord God Almighty. He was her father, the father of Abraham. Not until she was finished her preparations was her true lineage revealed. I believe it was because she understood and knew all along.

I remember the movie showed a necklace taken into the presence of the king. I know that she took what the eunuch suggested. But nothing was mentioned. I believe that Esther took only herself, the clothes the King provided (his righteousness) and her lineage – her identity as the daughter of God.

We too, need to know who we are in God. We need to understand who God is, to know who we are in Him. And we need to understand who the King is, the King who is to be our husband.

No one knows how many concubines this king had...for even Esther, being in his harem was a concubine until she was crowned queen. After the women were brought to the king they were taken immediately to the second house of women, the house of concubines. Even Esther went there after her visit with the king.

She was taken to see the king in the 10<sup>th</sup> month of the 7<sup>th</sup> year of his reign. She was taken to him in the fullness of his reign during the month of law, responsibility and testimony, called Tebeth – "Goodness." She now understood the law, her responsibility and the testimony of who the King is. She was taken to the king in the month of goodness.

7 – Fullness, completeness

10 – Testimony, law, responsibility

And she found favor with the king. We have no idea what it was that she took into the king, but we do know that she found favor and he crowned her queen.

This is almost as far as I want to go in the story. We know the rest of it. There are two other points that I would like to make regarding discerning the Lord's body. Mordecai knew his place in the King's service, he also knew Esther's place. He revealed to Esther her calling and place in the Kingdom of God and it was this discernment that saved the Body of Christ (symbolized by the Jews at that time).

The second point is that Esther argued about her calling. She was afraid it would cost her life to step up to the plate and save the Jews. If she had done nothing, it most certainly would have cost her life for she was a Jew. How often are we placed in a death/death situation...not even the gamble of a life and death situation? That seems to be the position we face as we choose which path we will walk. We can either die for certain by choosing plan A or we can choose to die (or so we think) by choosing plan B. I believe it is called between a rock and a hard place...but it is when we make the right choice that the Lord puts out

His scepter because of His great love for us and gives us unexpected, abundant life. Yet, it has always been His heart's desire to give us life at every opportunity.

Now I am far from a holy person. My writing may sound more holy than I feel if you actually knew me. I make no pretence or excuse, although this lesson has made me rethink my stand on royal etiquette and responsibility. So the question that has been asked of me by my friends who do know me, "Then why do you see?"

I asked the Lord that question because I will not entertain the idea that I am more privileged or above anyone else. We are in the time of the 1000 year reign of Christ and that is the time of heavenly realm reality experience. So why can I see? Because I was not constricted by the natural boundaries and fairy tales of spiritual life as most others. I have seen since birth, taken away or separated from the trappings of man's (parental) philosophies. I may not have gotten the truth about God right, but was very familiar with the spiritual world; more so than this one. I was not laden with the ways of this world that would separate me from the spiritual realm. Why? I have no idea.

It was no special feat on my part. It was simply that I was not burdened with the lies of this world to hinder the truth of the spiritual world. It was my reality. So I could see without restriction. I accepted what I saw, and often accepted it over the reality of this world.

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So Trust in the Lord. Take only three things with you when you go to present yourself before the King. Take yourself, the person He created. Take His clothing, His righteousness. Take your lineage, you are a child of the Father.

Do not hold onto the things you learned in the world, the lies and half-truths that have been affected by Lucifer. Do not take the things you value, your self worth. Go without the ideas and misconceptions that you have been taught and embraced.

Open your heart to the wonderments that lie behind the walls and the veil, in the deep recesses of His chamber and Throne Room. You are protected. You have been chosen. You are called before the King. And there you will be crowned because you have found favor with the King...favor extended just because of your beauty...what He gave you when He created you, what you have learned in the time of preparation, what you are wearing because of His righteousness, and because you are a daughter or son of the most gracious Lord God Almighty.

These are the keys to seeing.

May the Lord God bless you mightily. Lord, we come before you, each on our special night...to be accepted and crowned because we have found favor. Lord, we have prepared and if we have not prepared enough, lead us again back into the baths of myrrh to be completely healed and restored. Let us go back to the baths of preparation and the schools to learn to live as the royalty we have been called into. Let us learn from You who You are so that there is no mistake or misunderstanding. Father, I repent of all the misconceptions and half-truths I have accepted as truth. Lord I repent of being taught by the eunuchs named strictness, faithful, booty, donkey driver, in the wine press/in their wine press, God-given, star and severe...for these men have not taught me the truth for they cannot produce seed. They have taught me their own slant about You and their slant does not produce fruit.

Lord God, I repent that I brought with me the wounds and scars of my previous life and that I have not sought You to heal EVERY wound and scar. Lord, I repent that I have not embraced Your truth to replace the wrong I have been taught. I renounce and fall out of agreement with absolutely everything that stands in the way of allowing me to be ready to come before your face and into your presence so that I can feel your touch and your intimate presence.

Lord God Almighty, thank you for choosing me. Thank you for creating me and being my father. Thank you for being You and for creating me to be me. Lord, reveal to me who I am, who You created me to be. Lord, reveal to me the lies and influences of Lucifer and how he has destroyed my identity and stolen my destiny. Wash away those lies in the bath of myrrh. Let me be that alabaster container that holds the Holy Spirit and the fullness of the Godhead. Let me be that fruitful queen. Let me be who You created me to be. Let me be WITH YOU in every way.

Open my eyes, Lord. Open my ears, Lord. Open all my senses, Lord. Open my heart and my understanding. Free me and make me ready. Do whatever is necessary to make me acceptable and fully prepared to come into the presence of the King and see your beautiful face...to feel the touch of your love upon the nape of my neck...to be the Shulamite ("the perfect," "the peaceful") bride to you, my Beloved.

God bless you all and I pray that the Lord anoint you abundantly with the revelation of His love.

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