

PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH

LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE

Sermon Date: 25/10/2020

Text(s): Song of Solomon 1:1–4

Sermon Title: Let Him Kiss Me!

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(The sermon recording is available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

READ (5 mins)

Song of Solomon 1:1–4 (ESV)

1 The Song of Songs, which is Solomon's.

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

3 your anointing oils are fragrant; your name is oil poured out; therefore virgins love you.

4 Draw me after you; let us run. The king has brought me into his chambers. We will exult and rejoice in you; we will extol your love more than wine; rightly do they love you.

RELATE (30 mins)

(Relate to what was shared and on key themes in the sermon)

- 1. It's clearly indicated that Song of Solomon or Song of Songs was written by King Solomon, the son of David. For general sharing, what do you know about Solomon?**
- 2. There are 3 main characters in this song: King Solomon, a Shulamite woman, and the daughters of Jerusalem. This book speaks about the love between Solomon and a country girl from Shunem. It is believed this woman was Solomon's true love before he had many wives that came out of political alliances. What is your understanding of true love? What are the "must-have elements" in the relationship between a man and a woman for it to be counted as true love?**
- 3. There are two approaches to reading this book—the natural and the spiritual. What do you understand to be the difference(s) between these two approaches and how does that affect us Christians today? Are there gems to be taken from both these approaches, and if yes, what might they be?**

REFLECT (30 mins)

(Reflect and apply God's word to our daily lives)

1. **We may feel shy talking about a lip-to-lip or mouth-to-mouth kiss. But if we take a spiritual approach to reading the Song of Solomon, what can we, the Church which is the Bride, expect to receive from Christ the Bridegroom? How can we receive a kiss from Christ Jesus our Bridegroom? From the sermon, what do we actually receive when we receive a kiss from God?**

2. **The Bride says, "Draw me and we will run after you." When you run, effort is required, energy is needed. The preacher pointed how there is a clear direction when a person runs towards the person he or she loves. And the community is also involved. Do share how you have been running towards Christ. How have you been running towards God? How are other believers running with you and why is this important?**

REST (15 mins)

(Take time to share and pray for one another)

(Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for weekly guide)

- Pray for one another to move into intimacy with God that we may serve God out of love and that we may run towards Christ together. Ask the Lord to teach us how to love Him more.

- Pray for our church to be a community that reflects the priorities of the Kingdom of God, one that knows the Word and the Heart of God.

- Pray for the churches in Singapore to have a stronger witness in Singapore and beyond in the days to come.