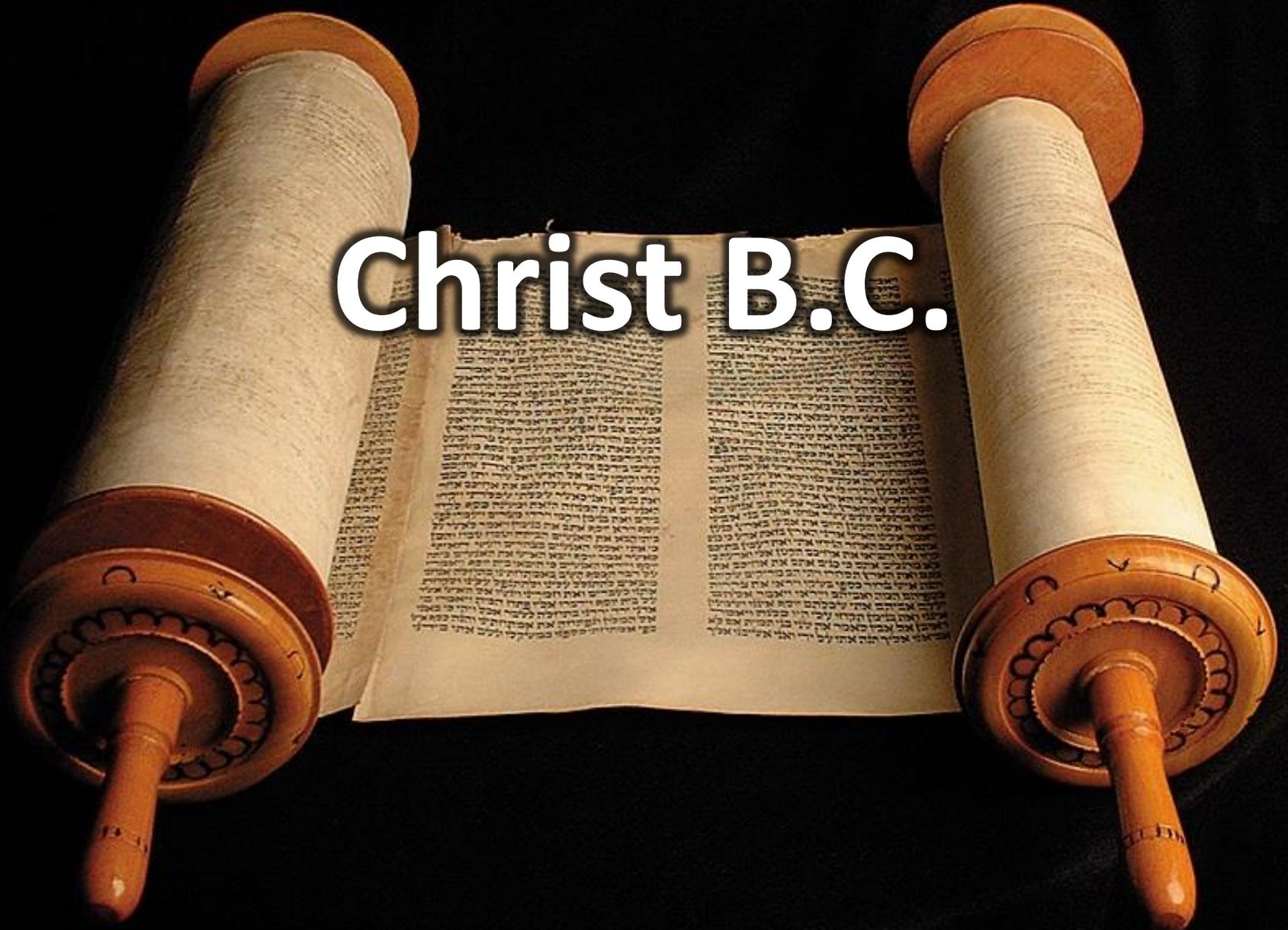
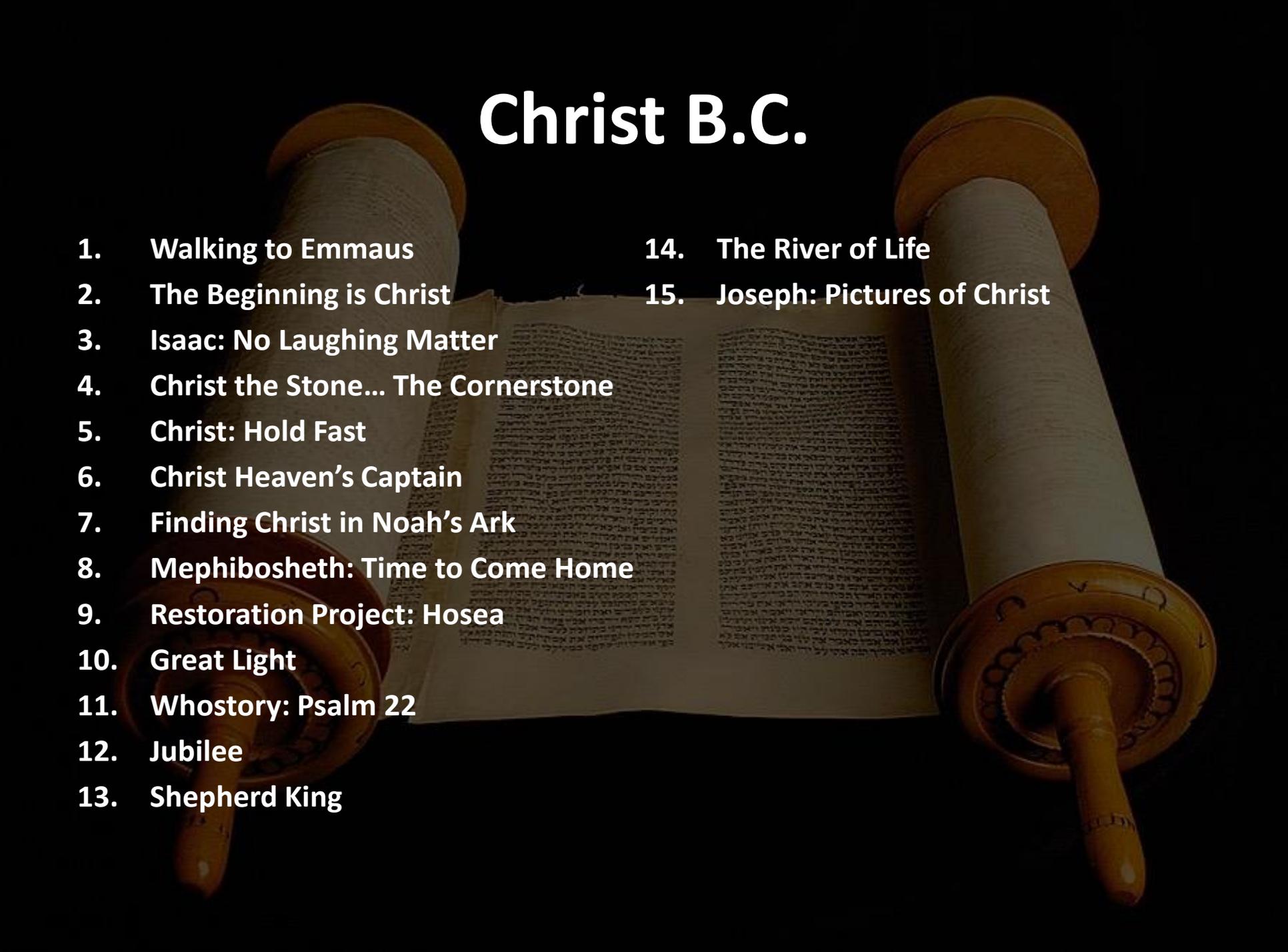


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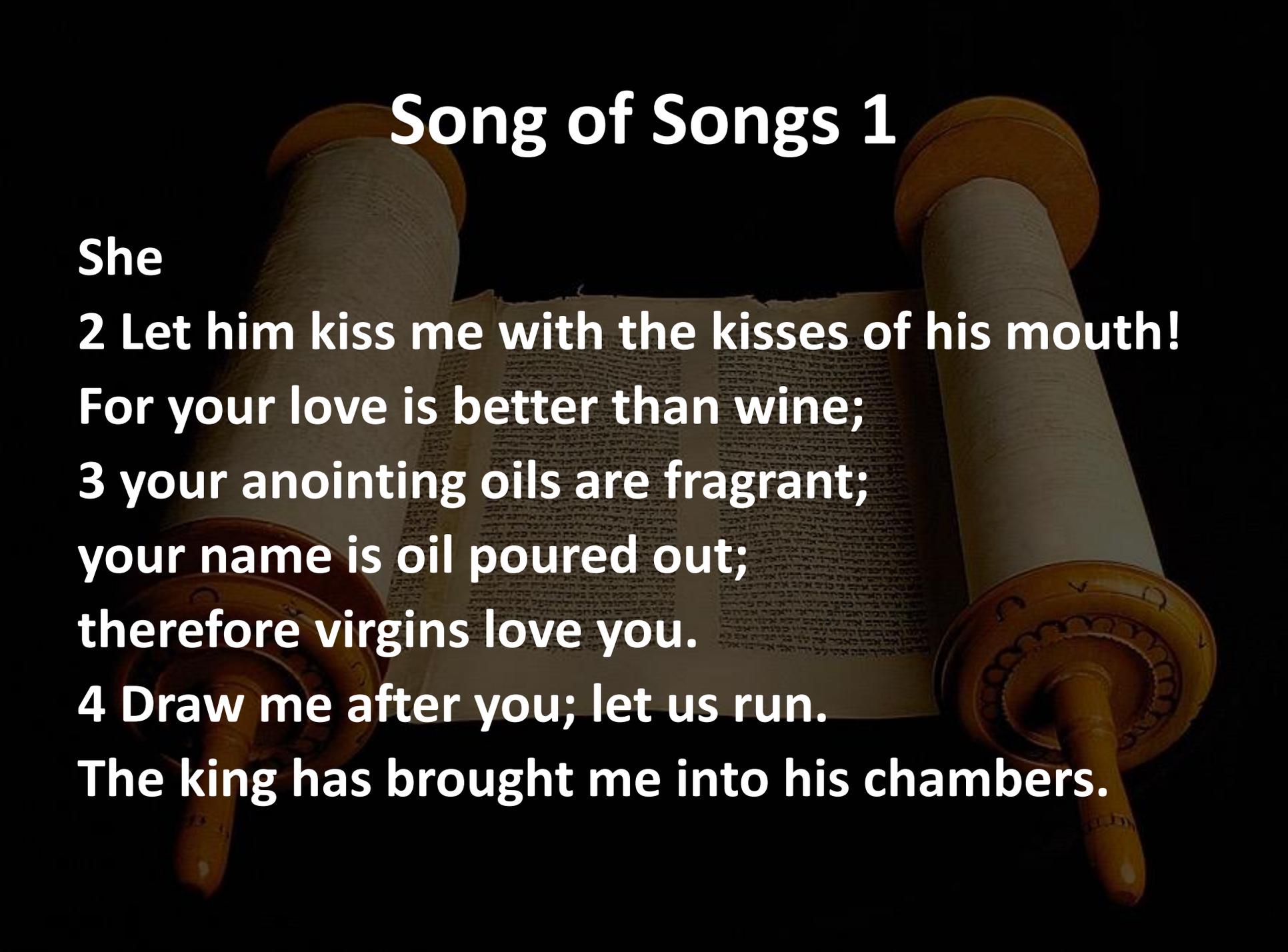
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2. The Beginning is Christ
3. Isaac: No Laughing Matter
4. Christ the Stone... The Cornerstone
5. Christ: Hold Fast
6. Christ Heaven's Captain
7. Finding Christ in Noah's Ark
8. Mephibosheth: Time to Come Home
9. Restoration Project: Hosea
10. Great Light
11. Whostory: Psalm 22
12. Jubilee
13. Shepherd King
14. The River of Life
15. Joseph: Pictures of Christ



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Christ in Songs of Songs

Song of Songs 1

An unrolled scroll of parchment with Hebrew text, held by wooden rollers. The scroll is the central focus, with the text written in a traditional Hebrew script. The rollers are made of light-colored wood and have decorative patterns on their ends. The background is dark, making the scroll stand out.

She

2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth!

For your love is better than wine;

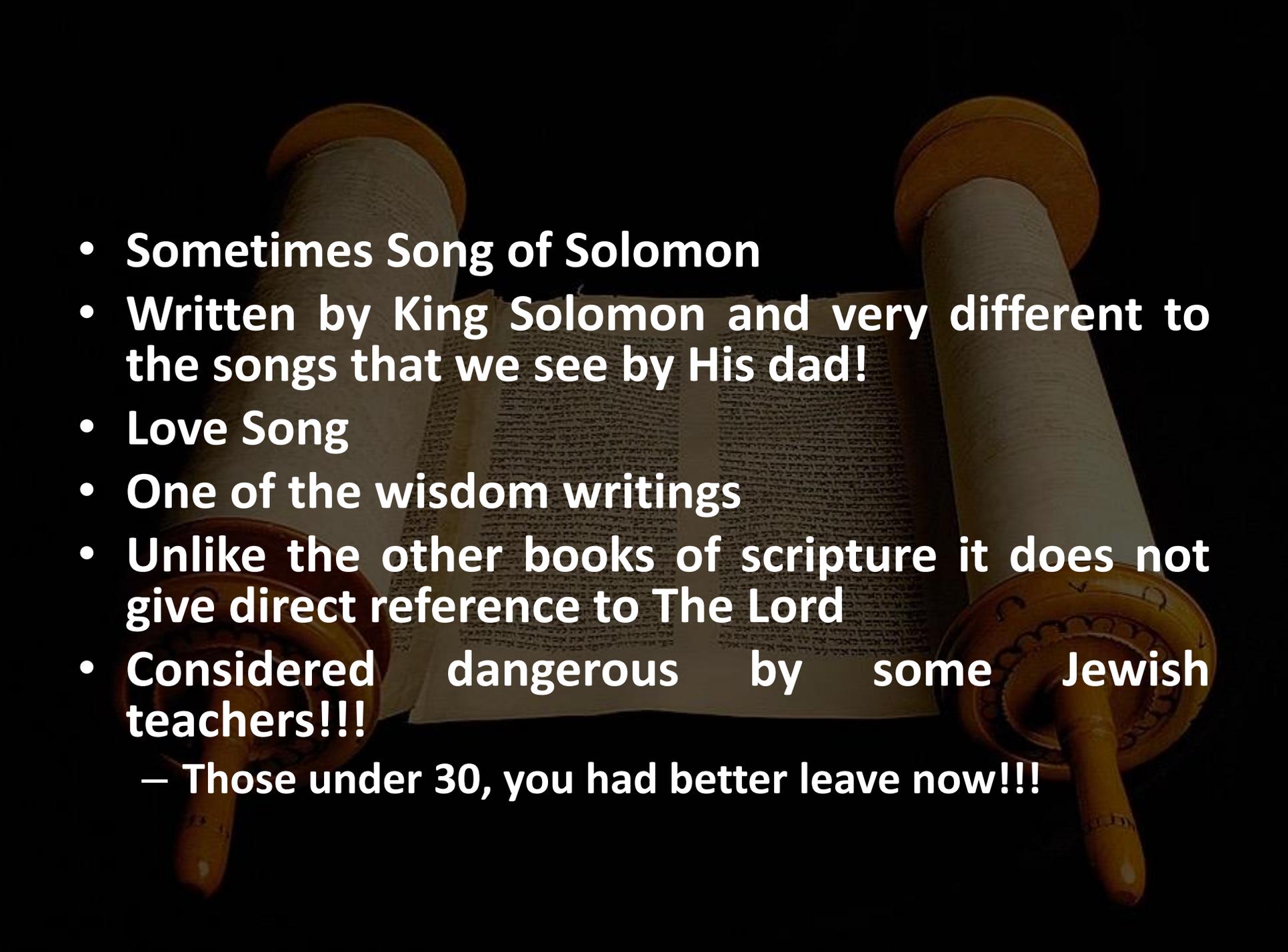
3 your anointing oils are fragrant;

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.

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- **Sometimes Song of Solomon**
 - **Written by King Solomon and very different to the songs that we see by His dad!**
 - **Love Song**
 - **One of the wisdom writings**
 - **Unlike the other books of scripture it does not give direct reference to The Lord**
 - **Considered dangerous by some Jewish teachers!!!**
 - **Those under 30, you had better leave now!!!**

Wisdom?

- Job, Psalms, *Proverbs*, *Ecclesiastes*...
- The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom
- Perhaps the pursuit of and the intimate love of God is the pinnacle of wisdom?
- The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight. (Prov 9:10)

Psalm 45

- 'The best key to this book is the 45th Psalm' (Matthew Henry)

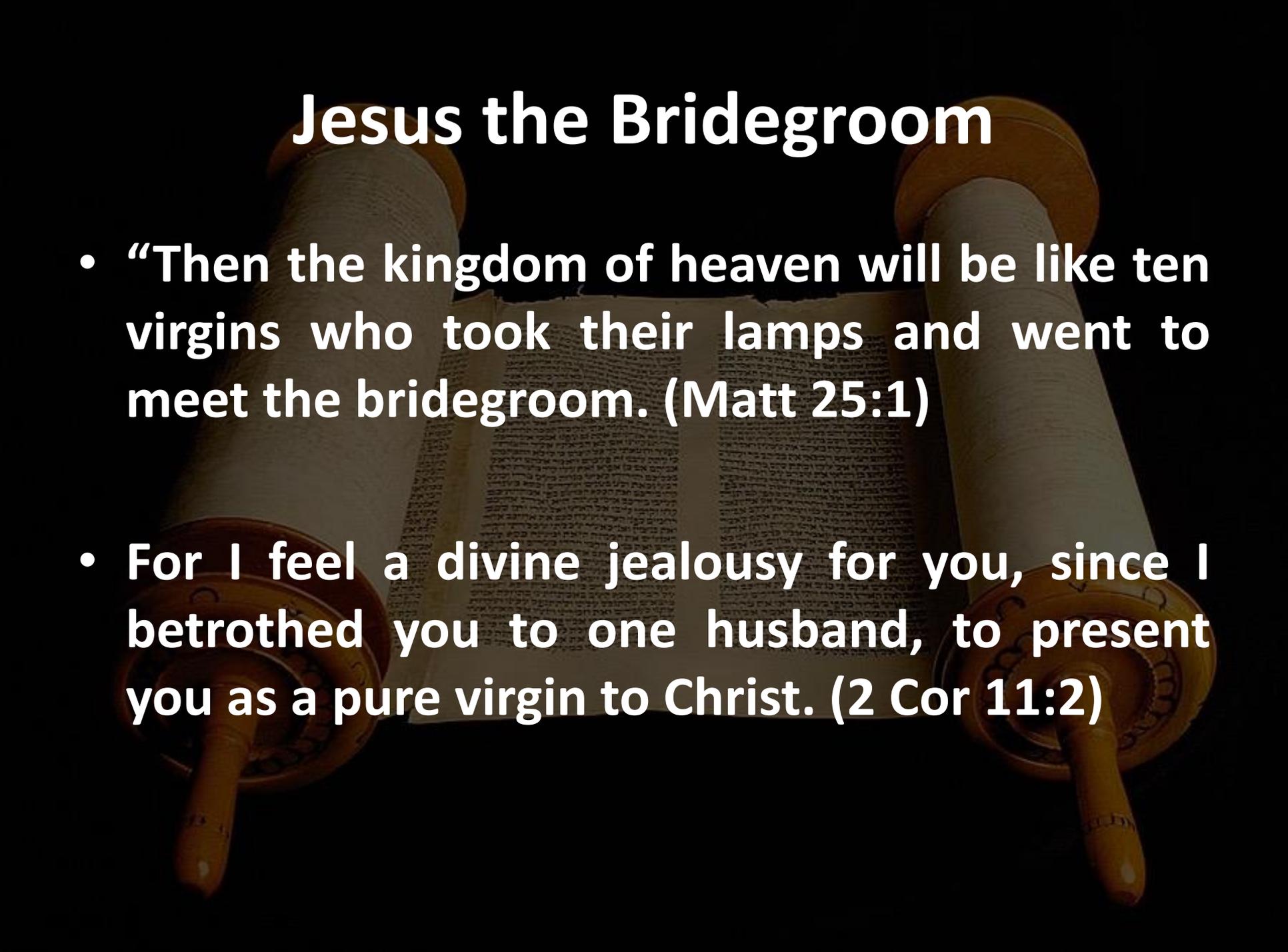
1 My heart overflows with a pleasing theme; I address my verses to the king; my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe. **2** You are the most handsome of the sons of men; grace is poured upon your lips

13 All glorious is the princess in her chamber, with robes interwoven with gold. **14** In many-colored robes she is led to the king, with her virgin companions following behind her.

God the Husband?

- For your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is his name; (Is 54:5)
- “And in that day, declares the Lord, you will call me ‘My Husband,’ (Hos 2:16)
- He is a covenant making and keeping God
- He desires intimacy with us above all

Jesus the Bridegroom

An open scroll of parchment with Hebrew text, resting on a wooden surface. The scroll is unrolled in the center, showing two columns of text. The ends of the scroll are rolled up and held by wooden rollers. The background is dark, making the scroll stand out.

- “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. (Matt 25:1)
- For I feel a divine jealousy for you, since I betrothed you to one husband, to present you as a pure virgin to Christ. (2 Cor 11:2)

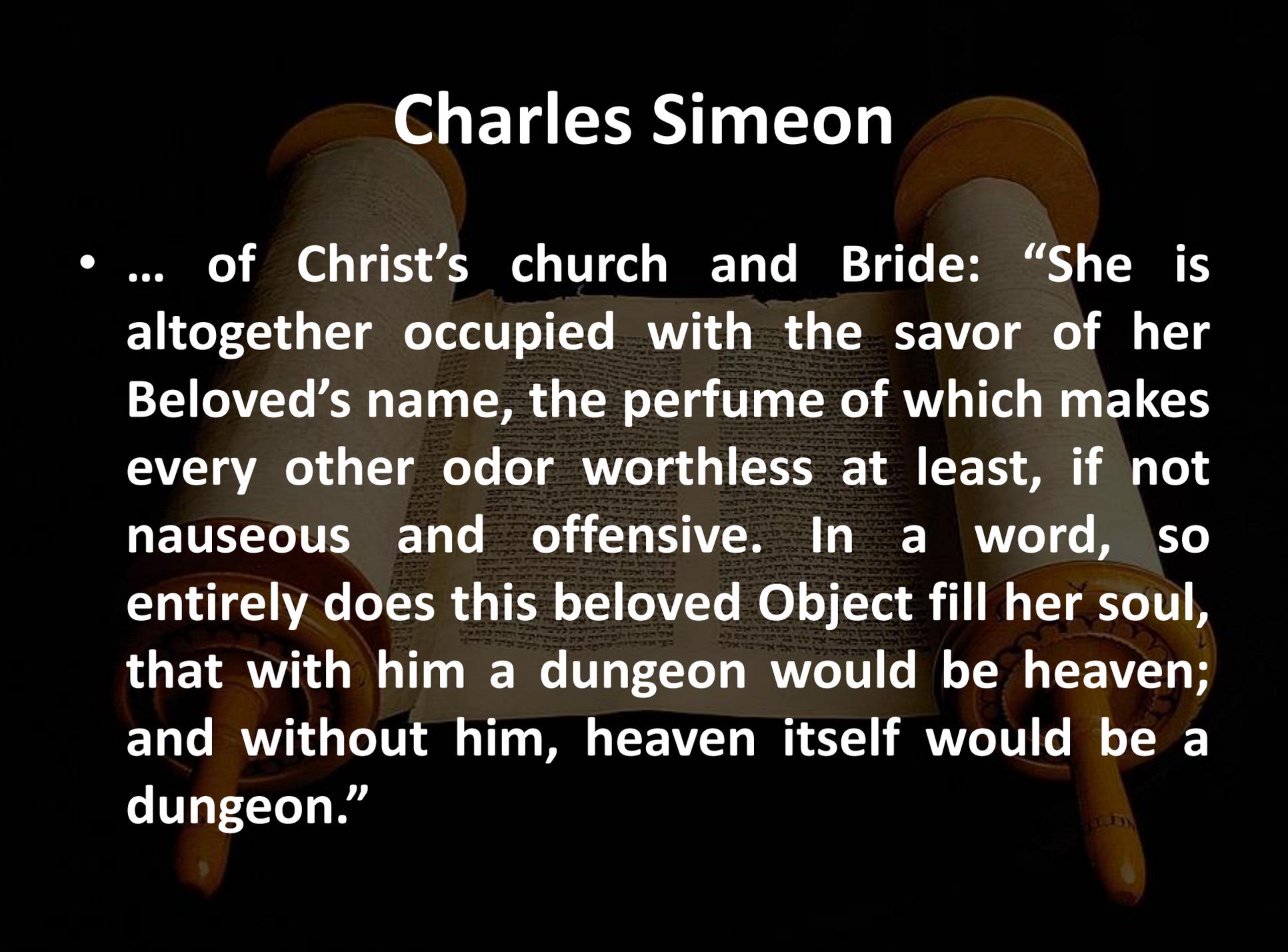
Just a Marriage?

- There is a difference of opinion to whether Song of songs is allegorical for our relationship with Christ
- Just a love song? Just Christ and His bride? Or both?!
- Ephesians reveals that this is the purpose behind the marriage relationship!
- No wonder this is one area the enemy is desperate to disrupt and destroy – especially within the Church

Ephesians 5

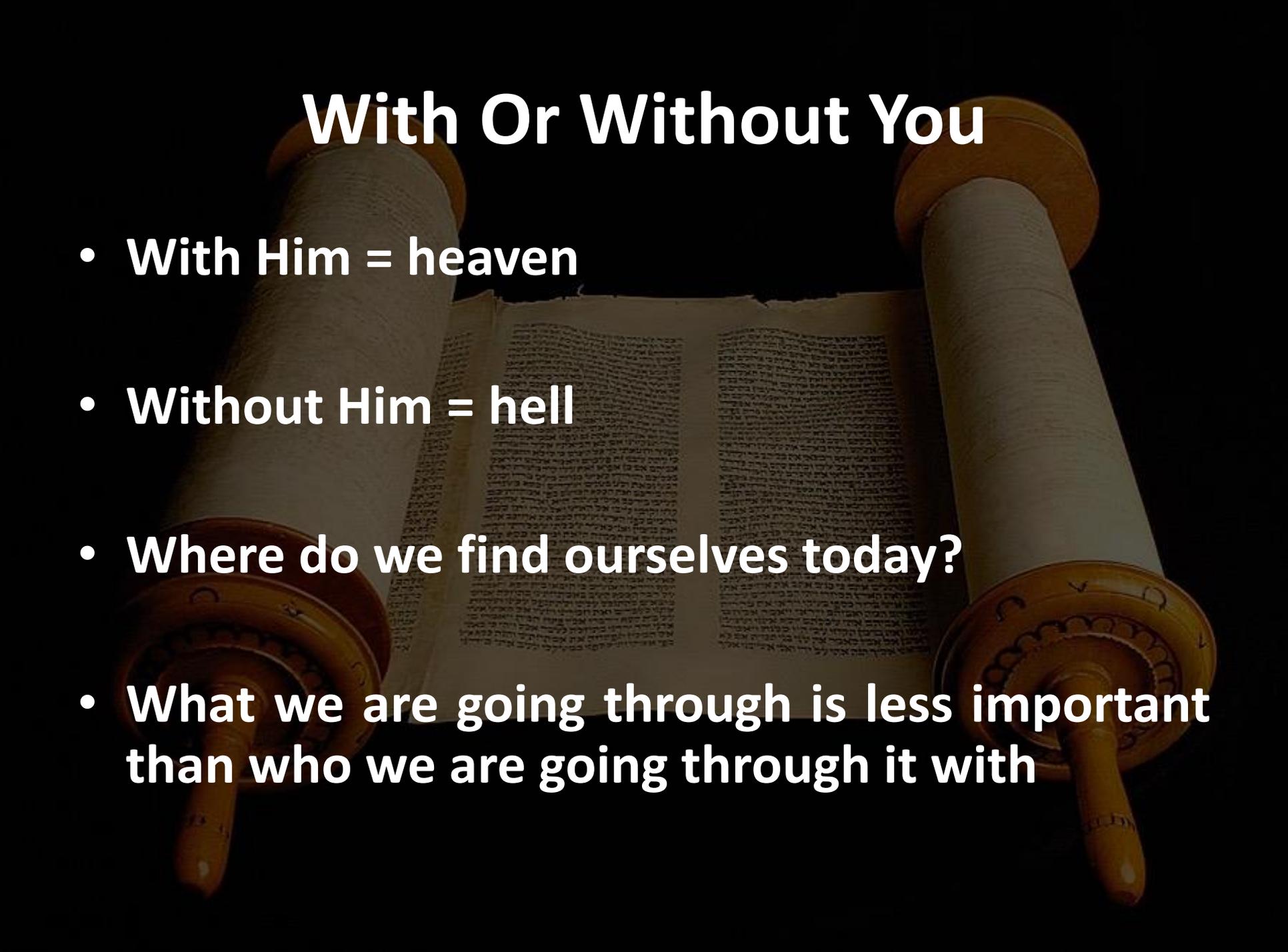
25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, 26 that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27 so that he might present the church to himself in splendour, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. 28 In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, 30 because we are members of his body. 31 "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." 32 This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. 33 However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Charles Simeon

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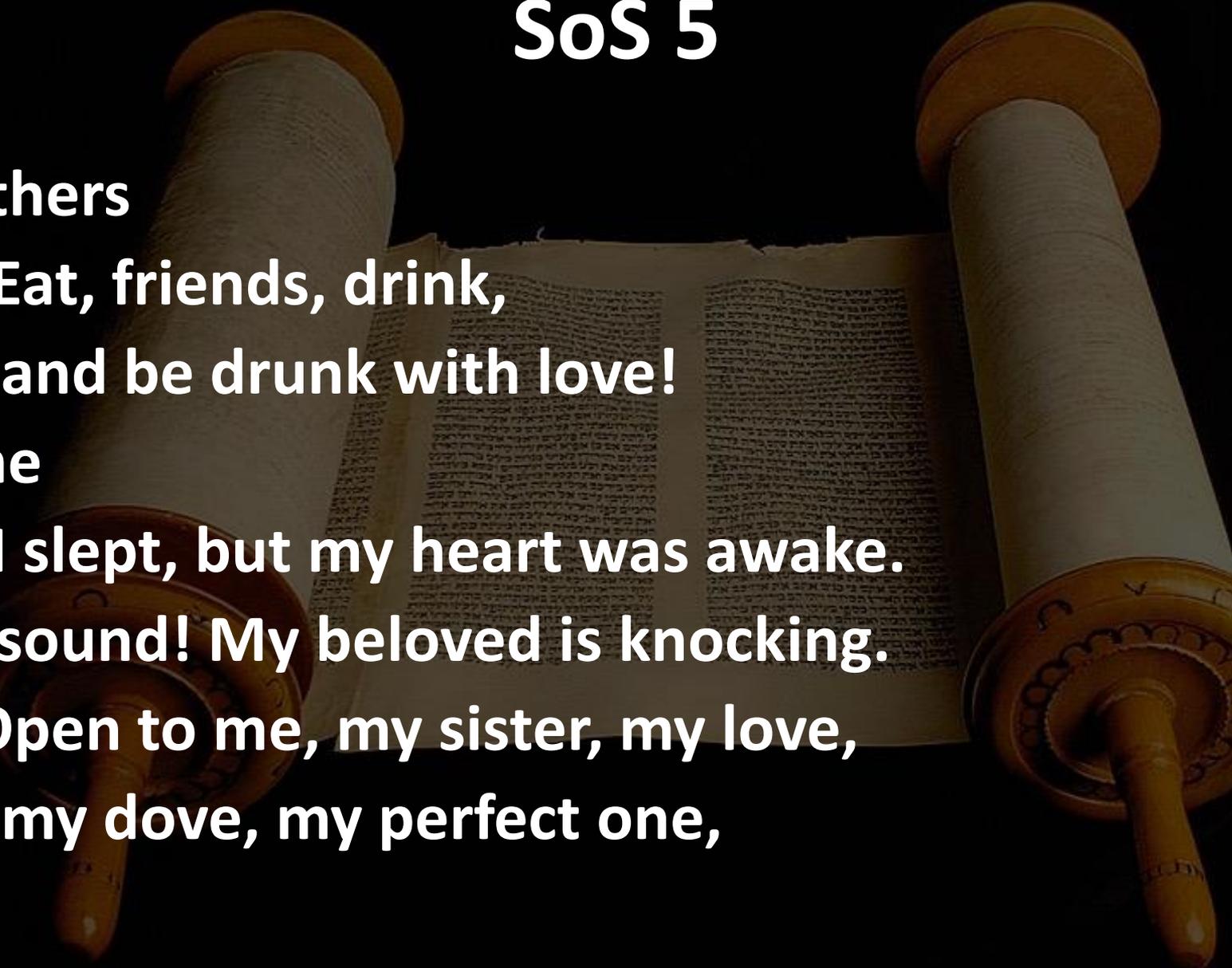
- ... of Christ's church and Bride: "She is altogether occupied with the savor of her Beloved's name, the perfume of which makes every other odor worthless at least, if not nauseous and offensive. In a word, so entirely does this beloved Object fill her soul, that with him a dungeon would be heaven; and without him, heaven itself would be a dungeon."

With Or Without You



- **With Him = heaven**
- **Without Him = hell**
- **Where do we find ourselves today?**
- **What we are going through is less important than who we are going through it with**

SoS 5



Others

**1 Eat, friends, drink,
and be drunk with love!**

She

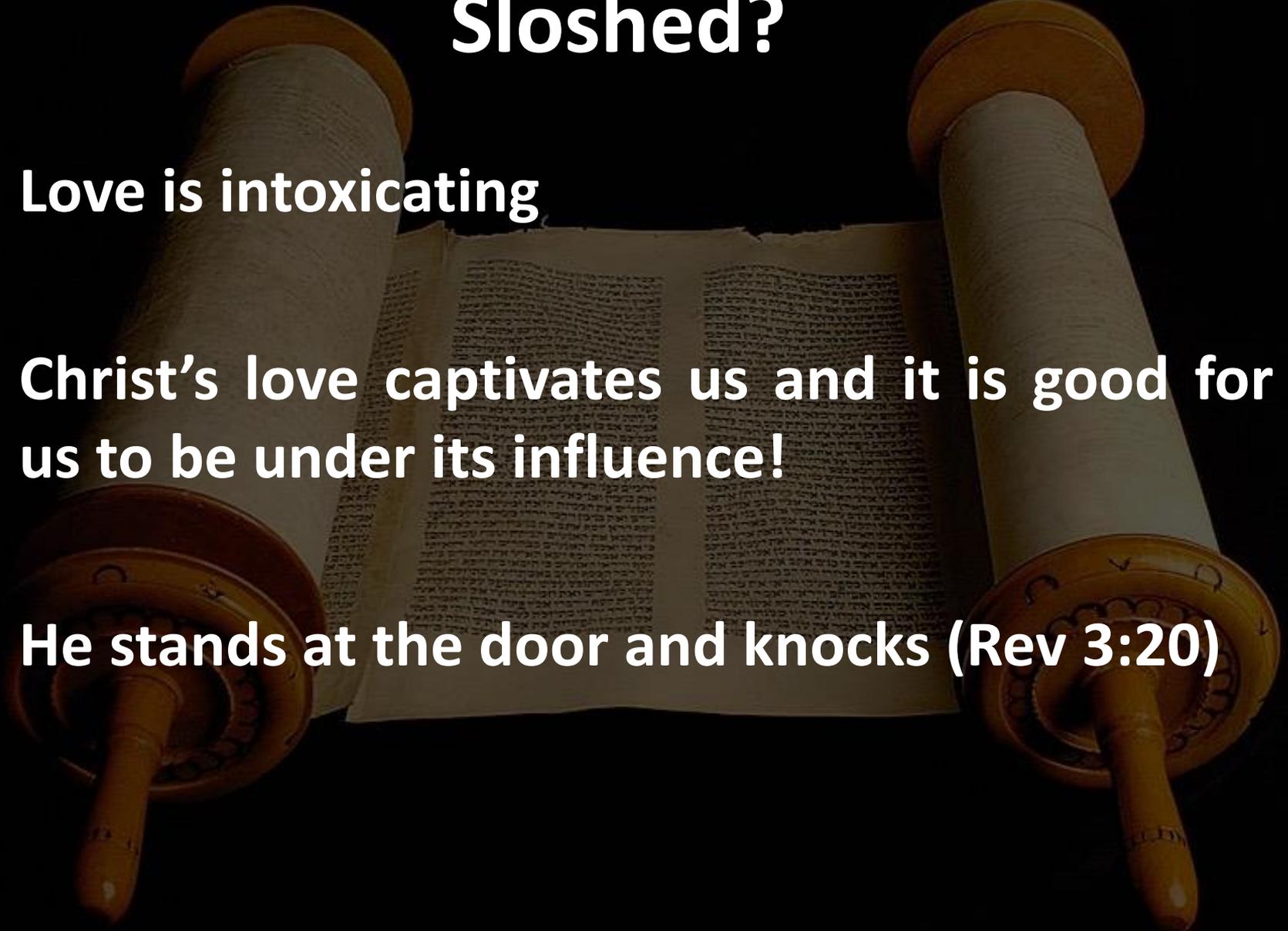
2 I slept, but my heart was awake.

A sound! My beloved is knocking.

**“Open to me, my sister, my love,
my dove, my perfect one,**

Sloshed?

- Love is intoxicating
- Christ's love captivates us and it is good for us to be under its influence!
- He stands at the door and knocks (Rev 3:20)



Don Fortner

We long for Christ himself, because we know by experience that his love is better than wine. Wine is a comforting, strengthening, exhilarating beverage. It rejoices the heart, revives the spirits, and soothes the nerves of a man. But the love of Christ is far better than the best of wine. When the love of Christ is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, it is like drinking some heavenly wine. Oh, that we might have this blessed intoxication that we might be filled with the wine of his love.

SoS 6

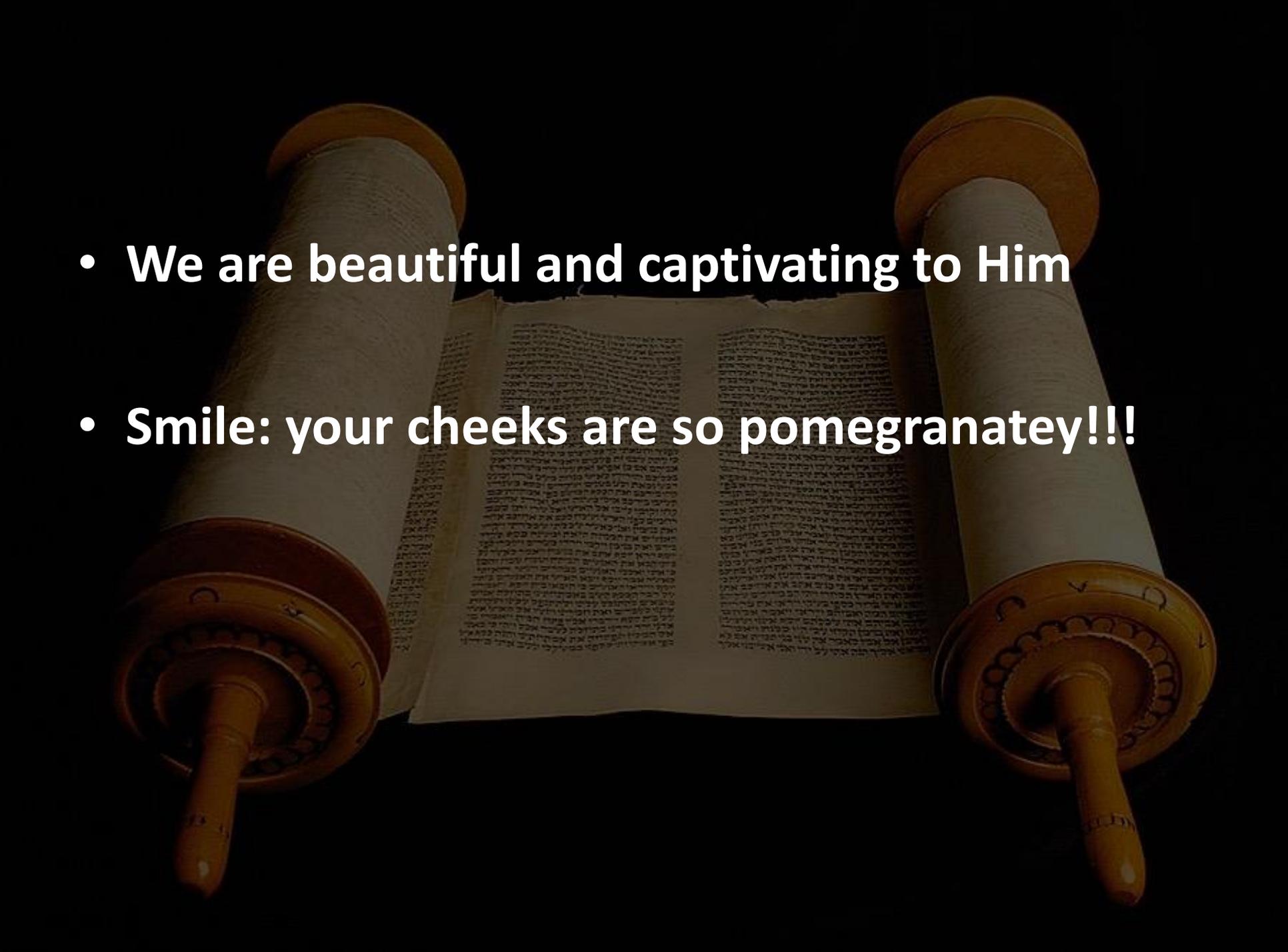
He

4 You are beautiful as Tirzah, my love, lovely as Jerusalem, awesome as an army with banners.

5 Turn away your eyes from me, for they overwhelm me— Your hair is like a flock of goats leaping down the slopes of Gilead.

6 Your teeth are like a flock of ewes that have come up from the washing; all of them bear twins; not one among them has lost its young.

7 Your cheeks are like halves of a pomegranate behind your veil.

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- The image shows an open scroll with Hebrew text, likely the Song of Songs. The scroll is unrolled, showing two pages of text. The text is written in a traditional Hebrew script. The scroll is held by two wooden rollers. The background is dark, making the scroll stand out.
- **We are beautiful and captivating to Him**
 - **Smile: your cheeks are so pomegranatey!!!**

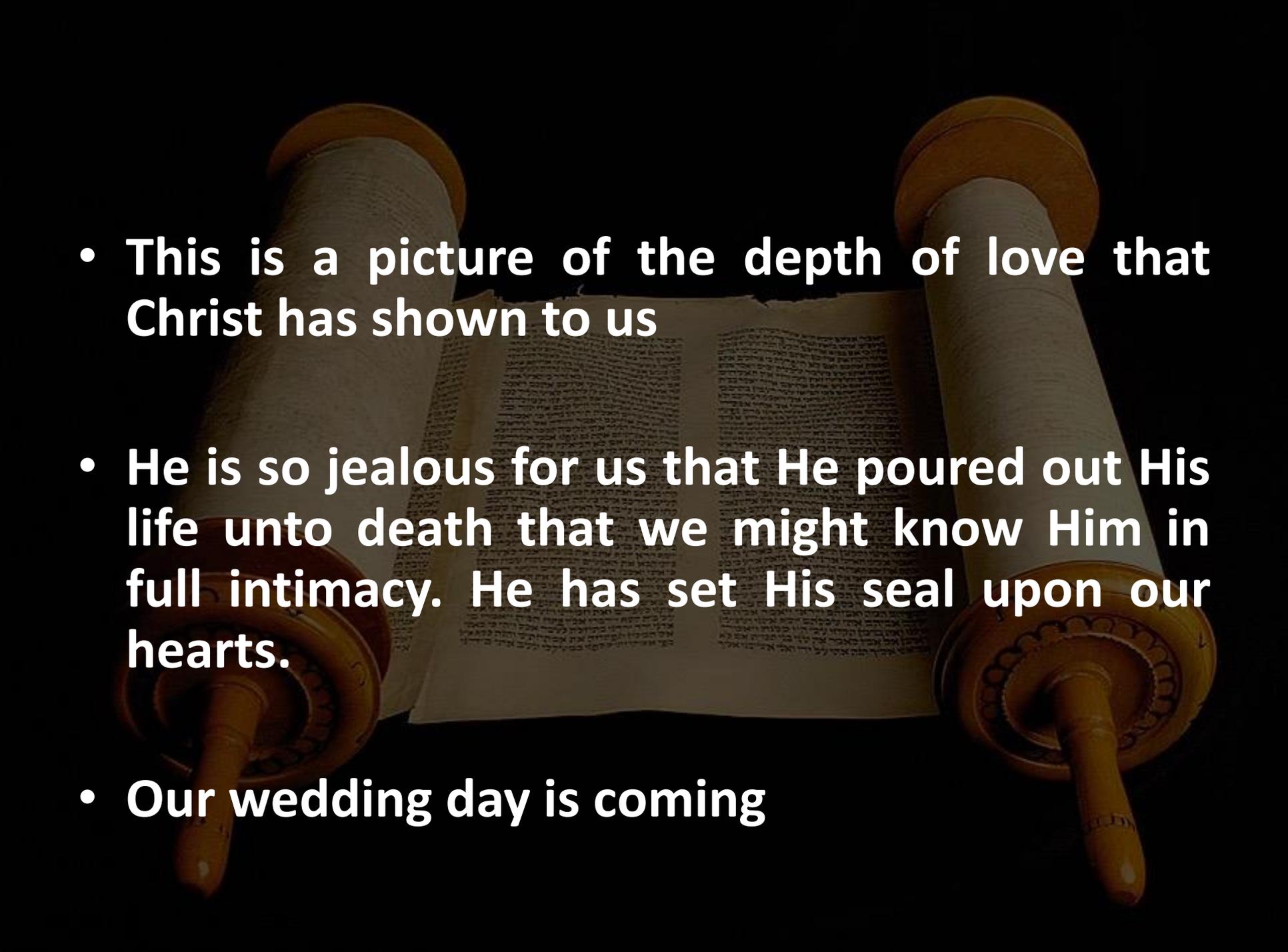
SoS 8:6

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Set me as a seal upon your heart,
as a seal upon your arm,
for love is strong as death,
jealousy is fierce as the grave.

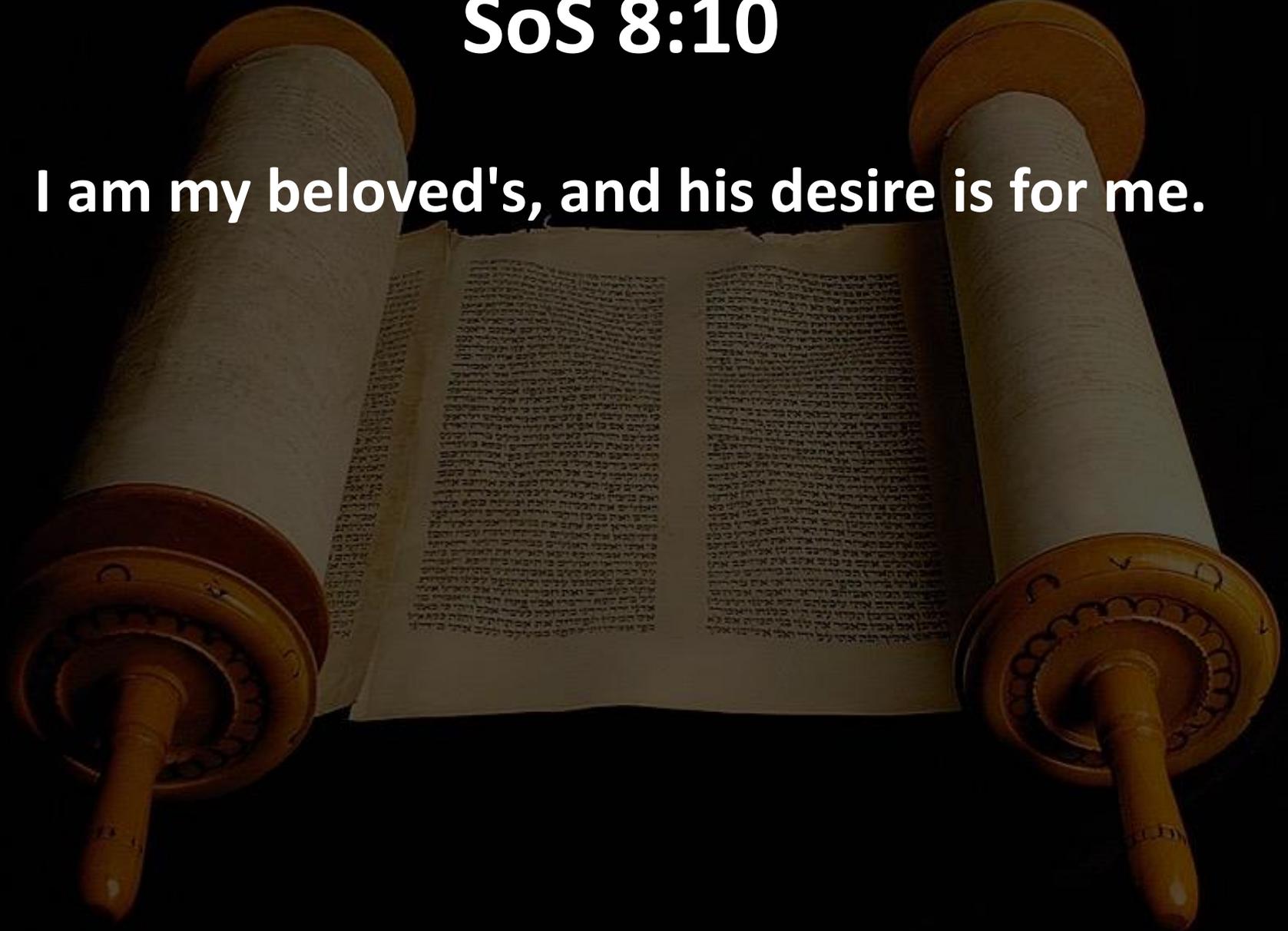
Its flashes are flashes of fire,
the very flame of the Lord.



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- An open scroll of parchment with Hebrew text, resting on wooden rollers. The scroll is unrolled in the center, showing two columns of text. The rollers are made of light-colored wood and have decorative patterns on their ends. The background is dark, making the scroll stand out.
- This is a picture of the depth of love that Christ has shown to us
 - He is so jealous for us that He poured out His life unto death that we might know Him in full intimacy. He has set His seal upon our hearts.
 - Our wedding day is coming

SoS 8:10

I am my beloved's, and his desire is for me.



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