

## **Reconciliation in the Marriage**

### **Song of Solomon 6**

**Context:** After the conflict and separation of chapter 5, the couple now reconciles in chapter six.

**Main Point:** The greatest moments within a marriage come after the resolve of conflict.

#### **When the conflict resolves...**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ **it in the past (vs. 6:1-3)**
  - A. She speaks of the rejoining of the relationship here and declares, “I am my beloved’s and my beloved is mine”
  - B. Conflicts in the marriage are both a test and an opportunity to cement the bond of the marriage vow.
  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ **your spouse in honor and respect (vs. 6:4-12)**
  - A. Solomon is celebrating his wife and comparing her to all things beautiful. In verse 4, “Tirzah” means “pleasantness” and was a city known for its beauty.
  - B. The meaning of verse 12 seems to be this: Before she knew it, Solomon had placed his wife in his own chariot, a sure sign of their reconciliation.
  - C. Conflicts provide an opportunity to show gospel love - honoring and praising the mate even when you feel wronged against.
  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ **what happens in your marriage stay in your marriage (vs. 13)**
  - A. This is the dance of reconciliation which Solomon makes clear is only meant for the two of them. The two army’s is “mahanaim” in Hebrew. This was the name of the place where Jacob and Esau’s reconciliation took place (Gn 32–33)—an appropriate parallel for the resolution of conflict between husband and wife.
  - B. Work to keep the conflict and its outcome between the two of you. If the conflict will not resolve, you can seek professional help.