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Bible Study: 10:45 a.m.

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Better Than Wine

2: Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: **for thy love is better than wine.**

The bride is the one doing the talking here in verse two. And in the last part of the verse we notice a change in direction. In the first part of this verse, she is speaking of the Bridegroom in the *third person*. "Let **"him"** kiss me with the kisses of **"his" mouth**. But now she speaks to him directly in the *second person*. "For **"thy"** love is better than wine."

This is an extremely important distinction. And it reminds us of the same occurrence in Psalm 23. Only this time it is the *sheep* talking about the Shepherd. In verses two and three the Shepherd is referred to as **"He", "he", "he", "he", "his."** Then in verses four and five the sheep talks directly to the Shepherd—**"Thou", "thy", "thy", "Thou", "thou"**. This precious truth is full of instruction and comfort.



Psalm 4 is also revealing.

- 1: Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress; have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer.
- 2: O ye sons of men, how long will ye turn my glory into shame? how long will ye love vanity, and seek after leasing? Selah.
- 3: But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.
- 4: Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah.
- 5: Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.
- 6: There be many that say, Who will shew us any good? LORD, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.
- 7: ***Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased.***
- 8: I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.