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The Sound Of Silence

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Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study: 10:45 a.m.

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Sermon Text: Song Of Solomon 6:4

The Sound Of Silence

Song of Solomon 6:4 Thou art beautiful, O my love, as Tirzah,
comely as Jerusalem, terrible as an army with banners.

The Sound of Silence

Chapter 8 of the Book of Revelation opens with some fascinating words:

Revelation 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was ***silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.***

While this mention of ***silence in heaven*** occurs in the last book of Scripture, it is no new thought. Throughout all history, in both Old Testament times and New, there are times when the almighty God has remained silent in heaven.

Think of the opening words of Psalm 22, uttered by the Son of God himself: 1 My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring?
2 O my God, ***I cry in the daytime, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not silent.***



The Bride experienced this same mysterious silence in Song Of Solomon. “I opened to my beloved; but my beloved had withdrawn himself, and was gone: my soul failed when he spake: ***I sought him, but I could not find him; I called him, but he gave me no answer.***” Song Of Solomon 5:6.

But even when the Lord God is silent in heaven, the Bridegroom is at work providing for his Bride. Soon the silence will be broken. And when that happens, there is good news for his Bride and terrible news for his and her enemies.