

The Rivers of God's Pleasure
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I am my beloved's, And his desire is toward me. **(Song of Solomon 7:10 NKJV)**

Desire means "sense of stretching out after or a longing."

I am my beloved's, And my beloved is mine. He feeds his flock among the lilies. **(Song of Solomon 6:3 NKJV)**

Set me as a seal upon your heart, As a seal upon your arm; For love is as strong as death, Jealousy as cruel as the grave; Its flames are flames of fire, A most vehement flame. Many waters cannot quench love, Nor can the floods drown it. If a man would give for love All the wealth of his house, It would be utterly despised. **(Song of Solomon 8:6, 7 NKJV)**

Jesus seal my heart, put your supernatural love in my heart. Put your fiery love in me.

His enjoyment of you is not based on your achievements, but rather upon His own heart and your response to Him. This passage reveals that God will impart His own love and jealousy within us, that is as strong as death. The Lord is saying, "He has a love for us that burns like fire, despite sin and brokenness. God's love conquers our hearts and overcomes flesh that tries to rise, if we yield to His love, He can chase down the areas of our hearts that seem so prone to stray.

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. **(Romans 5:5 KJV)**

In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, **(Ephesians 1:13 NKJV)**

Who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. **(II Corinthians 1:22 NKJV)**

The transcendent uncreated God who stands outside of time is moved with desire and planning glorious things for you. This God of intense desire destroys everything that hinders love, but His fire is about His pleasure and His Holy romance with His people.

For the Lord your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God. **(Deuteronomy 4:24 NKJV)**

It's a manifestation of passion that removes everything that hinders love.

They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures. For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light. **(Psalms 36:8, 9 KJV)**

Fatness means "fertilizing showers". Drink means "intoxicated with". Pleasures means "Eden".

David was drinking from the rivers of God's pleasure and touching the very being of God. David understood that God was a fountain of passionate desire, and he was tapping into it.

You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. **(Psalms 16:11 NKJV)**

David articulates the theology of God's pleasure for His people that burns in His heart and His pleasure that He imparts to people in His embrace. This scripture describes a divine river of fiery passion. 500 years after David speaks of the river, Daniel speaks of that same river.

"I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire; A fiery stream issued And came forth from before Him. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, And the books were opened. **(Daniel 7:9, 10 NKJV)**

It was God Himself in burning desire and love sickness. God will destroy everything that hinders love. 500 years after Daniel, John appeared on the scene.

Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. **(Acts 2:3 NKJV)**

John was touched in the upper room; he was touched by the fire Daniel talked about. John experienced the river of pleasure that David speaks of and wanted to drink from and swim in.

And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God. They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: "Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints! Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name? For You alone are holy. For all nations shall come and worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested." **(Revelation 15:2-4 NKJV)**

John talks about a sea of fire. In this passage, the river of God overflows into the sea of fire.

For the Lord takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation. **(Psalms 149:4 NKJV)**