

Find Where He Is Feeding

Son 1:7 Tell me, O you whom my soul loves, where are you feeding, where are you making your flock to rest at noon: for why should I be as one that turns aside by the flocks of your companions?

The Song of Solomon is the love story between a Shepherd and a young girl. This story is really an allegory between God and His people and Christ and His bride. The verse before us speaks of our relationship with Christ. The young woman in the story is longing to be with the Shepherd. She wants to find out where He is feeding His flock and where He was making them lay down to rest in the shade at noon. She wanted to be among His flock when He was feeding. She asks, "Why should I be as one that turns aside by the flocks of your **companions**." She was not content to just receive from the Shepherd's companions. This word companions in Hebrew means "associates". She wanted to receive from the Shepherd Himself and not just His associates. How does this relate to our walk with the Lord? Jesus is our Shepherd. He is the good shepherd. The Lord has companions or associates which are His under-shepherds. They are called by him to help feed His flock. Every pastor is a **companion** and an **associate** of Christ which helps feed His flock. Most Christians are content to feed **only** from Christ's companions. They only receive from the Lord through ministers. They feed from pastors at church, from ministers on T.V. and the radio, and from books or teaching CD's. They mainly feed from Christ's companions. There is nothing wrong with receiving from Christ's companions. We all should be in a local church and receive from our pastor. However, there is a group of people who are not content with just receiving from Christ's companions. They desire to find where Christ is feeding Himself. They desire to receive directly from Him. This is a relatively small number compared with those who feed from Christ's companions. The flock which seeks out where Christ is feeding Himself is few. However, those who have learned to find where Christ is feeding Himself find the richest food! There might be some very good companions of Christ which do a good job feeding, however, none compare to how Jesus feeds Himself. Those who are the hungriest will seek out where Christ Himself is feeding His flock.

How can we find where Christ is feeding His flock Himself? Well, first we need to know that our Shepherd feeds us from His Word. The Holy Spirit has been sent us to lead us to where our Shepherd is feeding. The Holy Spirit has been sent to guide us into the truth. [**John 16:13**] The Word of God is truth. [**John 17:17**] Our Shepherd is feeding His flock from His Word, but we need to find out where He is feeding. How do we do this? We need to ask the Holy Spirit where our Shepherd is feeding that day. Each day the Lord wants to feed us from a particular scripture or passage of scripture. How do we know where the Lord wants us to feed? It is by asking the Holy Spirit to lead us to where He is feeding. We need to ask the Holy Spirit to show us where in the Bible we should read and meditate on that day. Quiet yourself down and listen for His reply. Often a book of the Bible or a scripture will spontaneously come to your mind. Turn there and start feeding. If nothing comes to you, then ask the Holy Spirit to lead you and then open your Bible in faith and start reading. Read until something seems to catch your attention. This is the Holy Spirit showing you where the Shepherd is feeding. Stay there and meditate [feed] on that verse until you receive insight and revelation from it.

Most of God's sheep are content with receiving from His associates. However, to really mature like you should you need to find where He is feeding directly Himself and receive directly from Him. God has anointed and appointed mature ones to help him feed His flock. They become His companions and associates. However, He actually picks these associates from the flock that have learned to seek out where He is feeding Himself and have learned to receive directly from Him. We do not have to be an ordained minister to become an associate and companion of Christ and help feed others. If we will spend time with the Lord personally and receive daily from the Word ourselves then we will be made strong, stable, and mature. The Lord will start entrusting you to feed other sheep with what He has given to you in your time with Him. Do not be content with just receiving from Christ's companions. Find out where He is feeding and start receiving from Him directly. Before long you find you have become a companion and associate of Christ yourself and are helping Him feed others!