

# **Song of Solomon**

## **“Song of Songs”**

# **Interesting!**

- **God is never mentioned**
- **Read at Jewish Passover**
- **aka “Song of Songs”**

# **Background**

**Solomon wrote the book**

**His wisdom and riches are legendary**

**He started well – but ended poorly.**

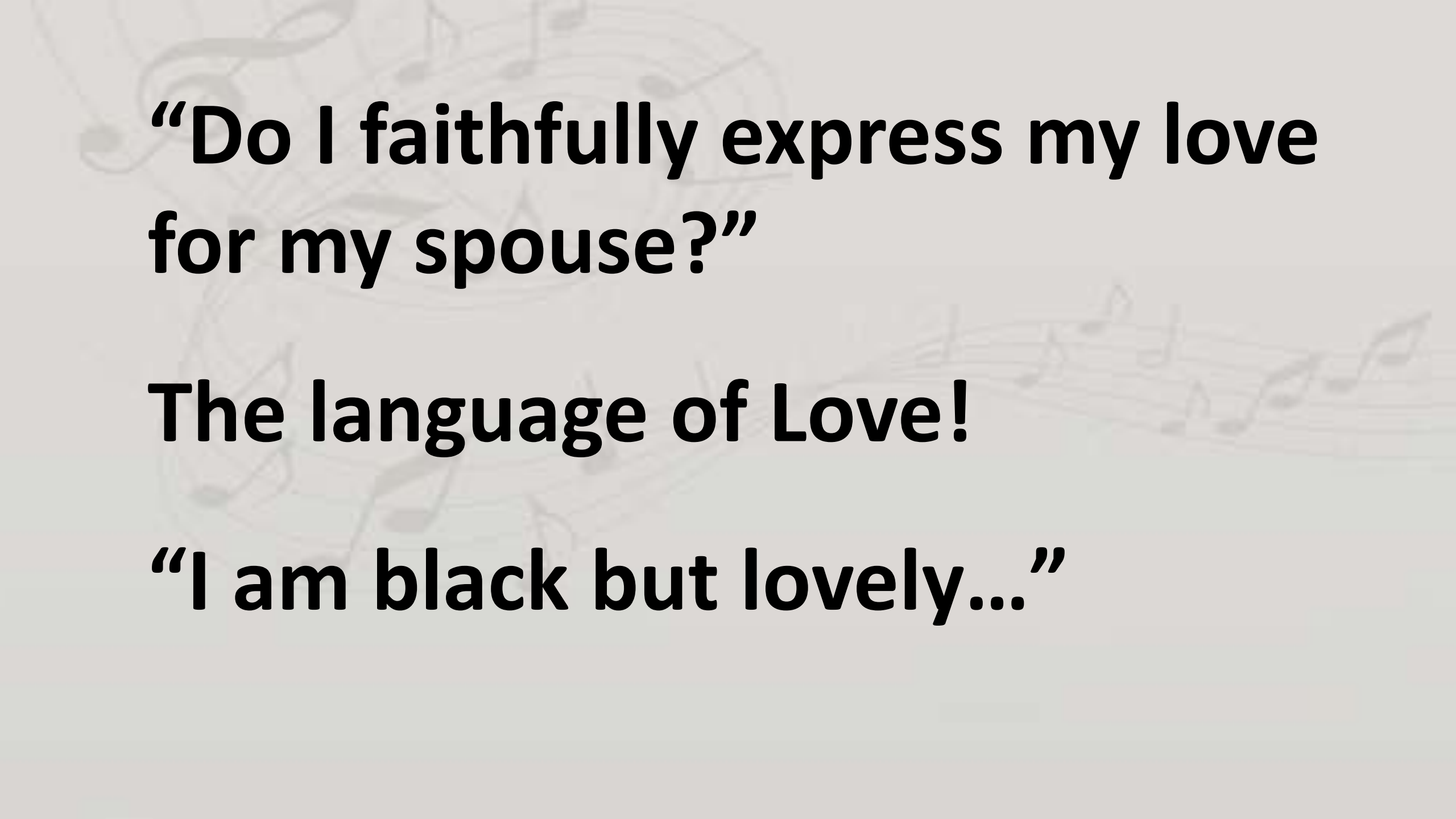
**He had 700 wives + 300 concubines**

# Historical Narrative

- A single love song
- The wife is unnamed
- Is she “Abishag?”
- Not in chronological order

# **The Narrative**

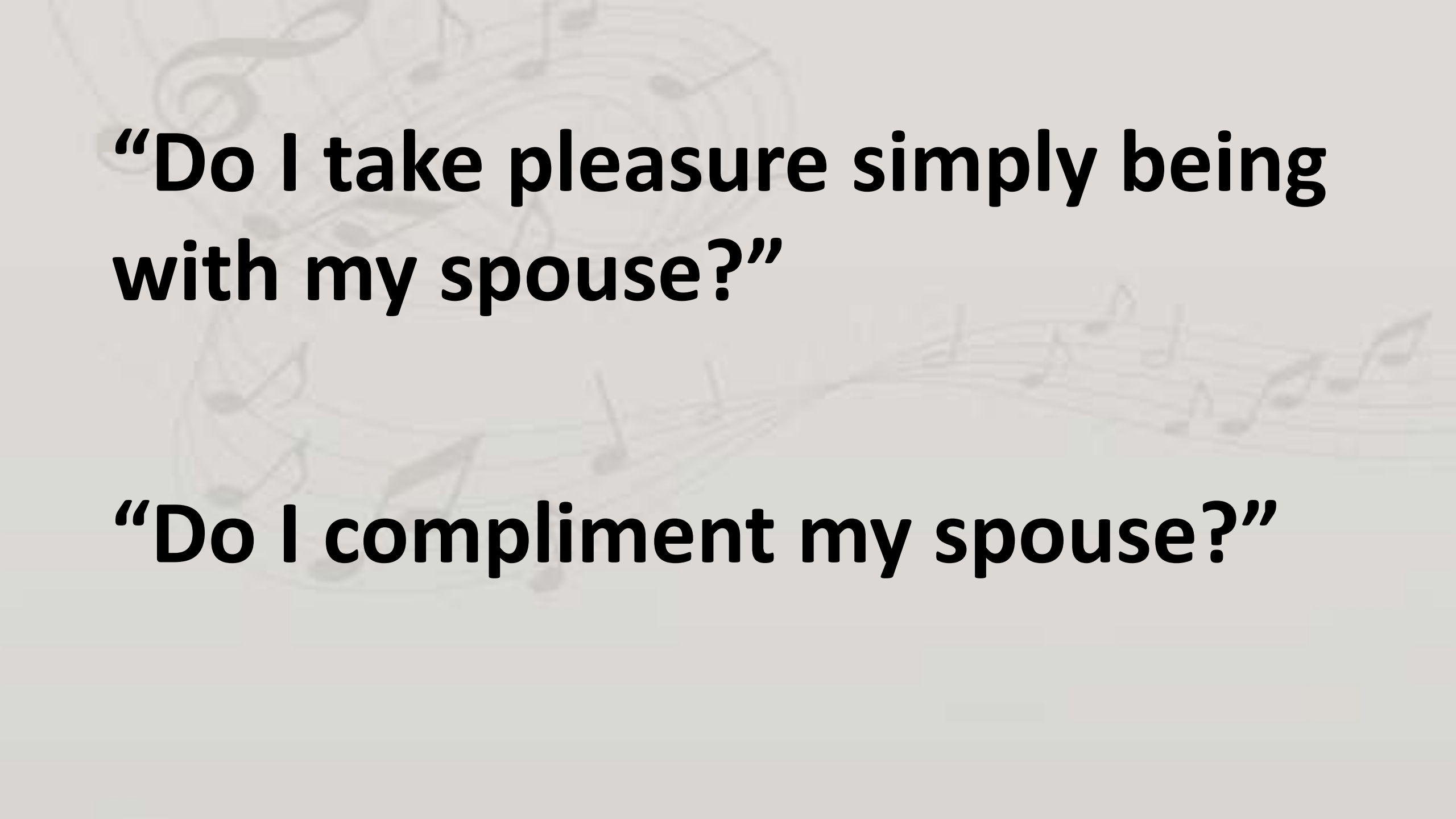
- **The shepherdess discovers the shepherd**
- **She may not have known him**
- **She maintained proper appearance**



**“Do I faithfully express my love  
for my spouse?”**

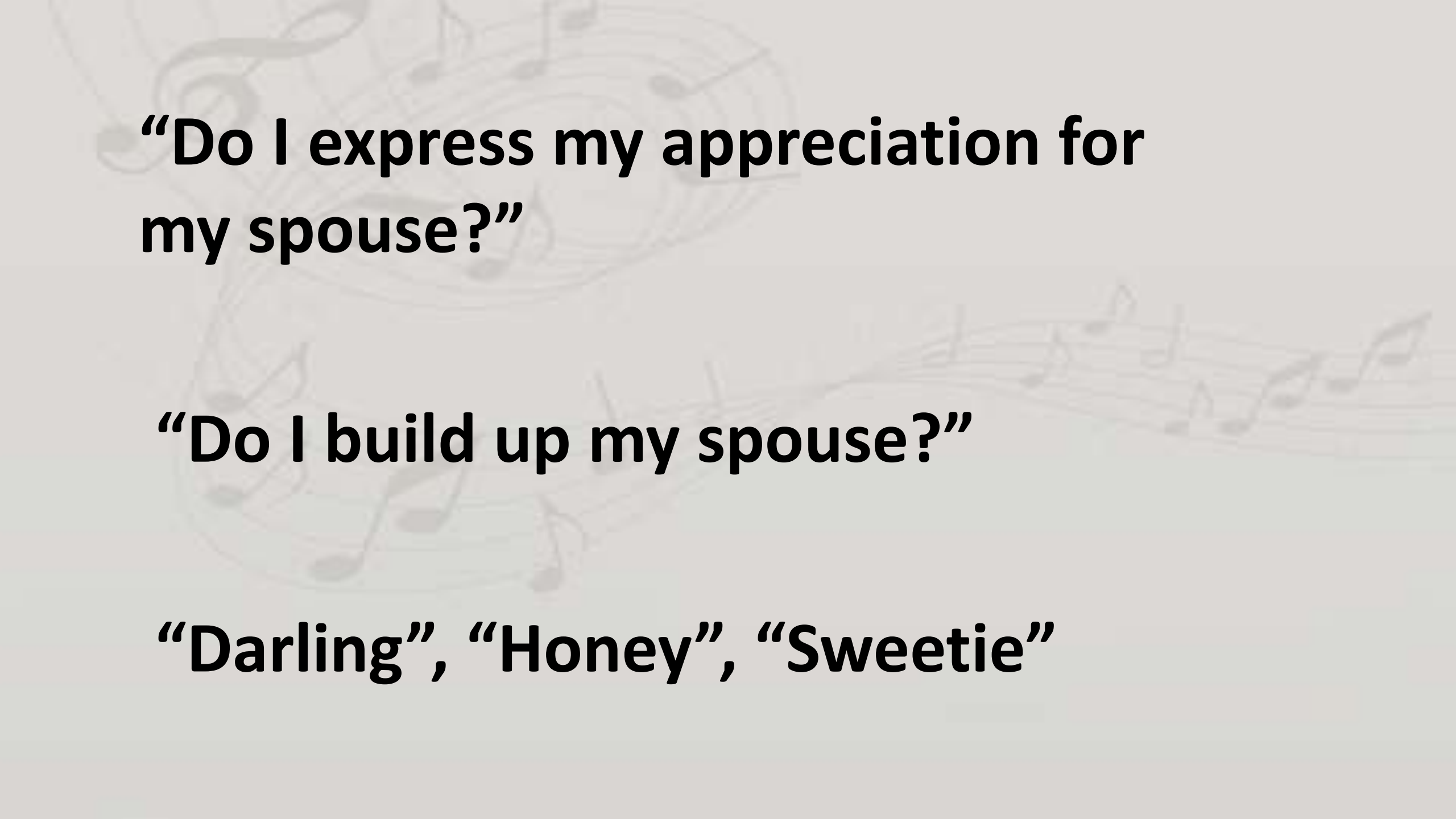
**The language of Love!**

**“I am black but lovely...”**



**“Do I take pleasure simply being  
with my spouse?”**

**“Do I compliment my spouse?”**

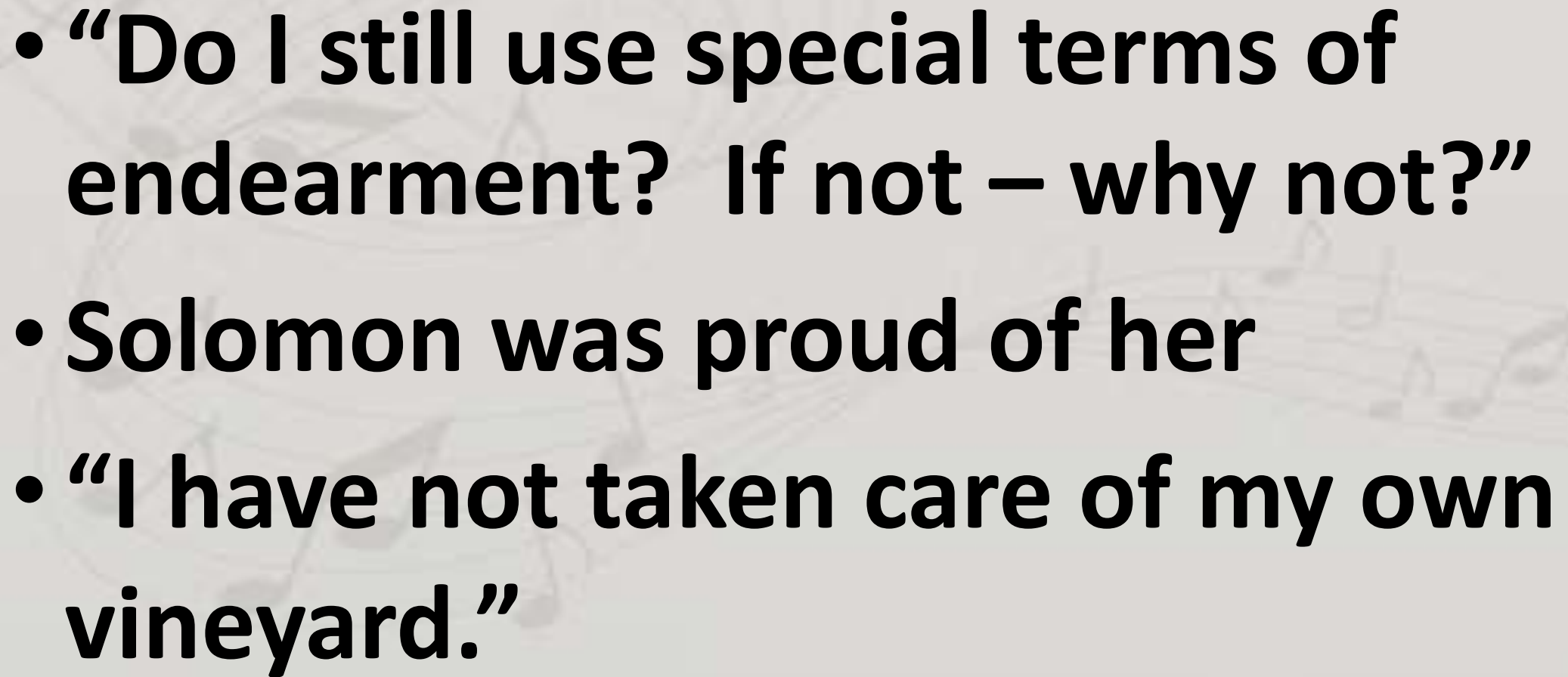


**“Do I express my appreciation for my spouse?”**

**“Do I build up my spouse?”**

**“Darling”, “Honey”, “Sweetie”**



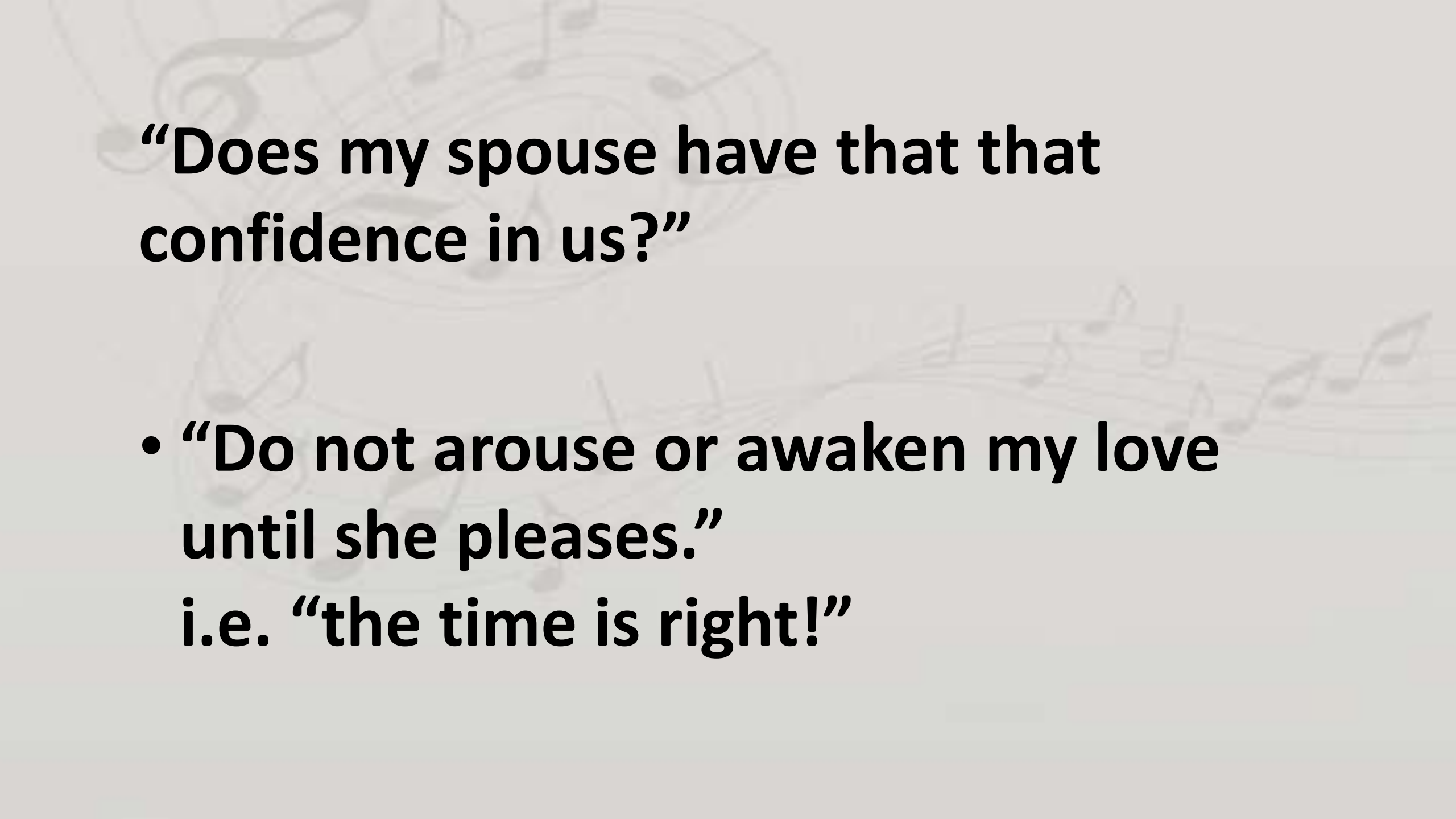
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- **“Do I still use special terms of endearment? If not – why not?”**
  - **Solomon was proud of her**
  - **“I have not taken care of my own vineyard.”**

- **“I’m just an old wildflower.”**
- **“Our sister is homely.”**
  
- **“You are altogether beautiful.”**



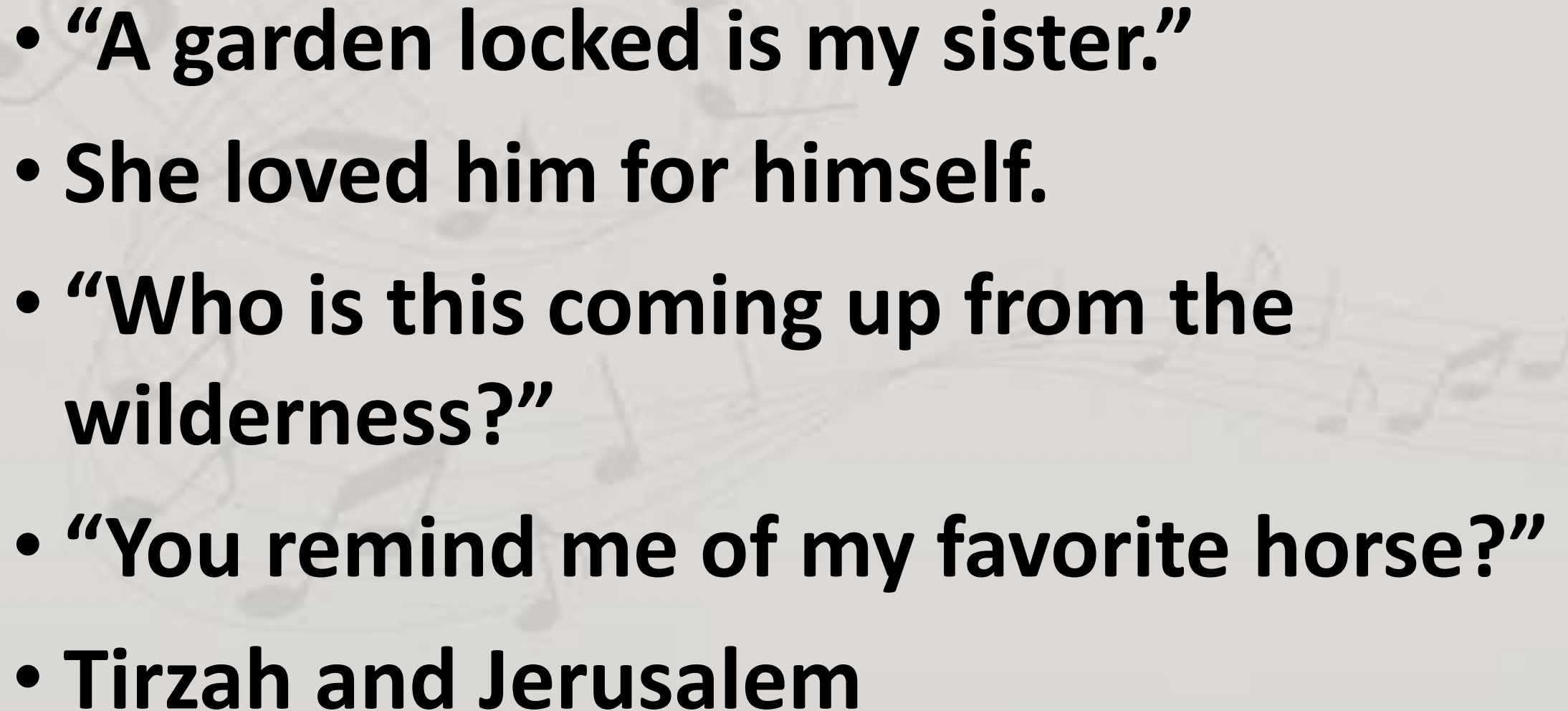
**What really matters most is  
what the King thinks of us.**





**“Does my spouse have that that confidence in us?”**

- **“Do not arouse or awaken my love until she pleases.”**  
**i.e. “the time is right!”**

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- **“A garden locked is my sister.”**
  - **She loved him for himself.**
  - **“Who is this coming up from the wilderness?”**
  - **“You remind me of my favorite horse?”**
  - **Tirzah and Jerusalem**

- **Love of God for Israel and love of Christ for His church**
- **“...while we were yet sinners...”**

**God's**



**Ours**