

¹How beautiful are thy feet with shoes, O prince's daughter! the joints of thy thighs are like jewels, the work of the hands of a cunning workman.²Thy navel is like a round goblet, which wanteth not liquor: thy belly is like an heap of wheat set about with lilies.³Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins.⁴Thy neck is as a tower of ivory; thine eyes like the fishpools in Heshbon, by the gate of Bathrabbim: thy nose is as the tower of Lebanon which looketh toward Damascus.⁵Thine head upon thee is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple; the king is held in the galleries.⁶How fair and how pleasant art thou, O love, for delights!⁷This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters of grapes.⁸I said, I will

go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof: now also thy breasts shall be as clusters of the vine, and the smell of thy nose like apples;⁹And the roof of thy mouth like the best wine for my beloved, that goeth down sweetly, causing the lips of those that are asleep to speak.¹⁰I am my beloved's, and his desire is toward me.¹¹Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages.¹²Let us get up early to the vineyards; let us see if the vine flourish, whether the tender grape appear, and the pomegranates bud forth: there will I give thee my loves.¹³The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates are all manner of pleasant fruits, new and old, which I have laid up for thee, O my beloved.