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## GOD'S WORD IN FLOWERS

### INTRODUCTION



A Vase of Summer flowers graced the table in our meeting room in the Church Hall. They were all Cottage Garden flowers, lilies, pinks, carnations, honeysuckle, roses and lavender. In our weekly Bible Study meetings, these lovely flowers with their beauty, colour and fragrance gave delight and conveyed messages to us about the Kingdom of God.

No wonder we give flowers as gifts to each other for special occasions – bouquets for weddings, birthdays; floral tributes to comfort or congratulate and countless other reasons or ways of saying –

*Sorry* *Thank you!*



Even a single bloom conveys a message and certainly these flower displays each week spoke a word in season. In the beginning of God's word in the Bible, after the creation of the heavens and the earth, He planted a garden – the Garden of Eden. (Genesis 2 : 8)



## FLOWER VERSES FROM GOD'S WORD

I am a rose of Sharon or a lily of the valley.

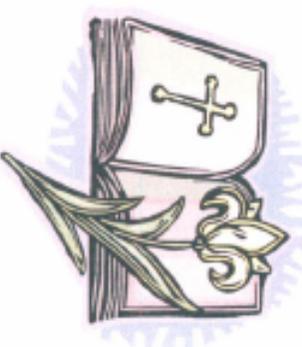
Song of Songs 2 : 1

I will be like the dew and the night mists to Israel; he shall grow and blossom like the lily. Hosea 14 : 5

Consider the lilies of the field and how they grow; they neither toil nor spin. Yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Matthew 6: 28, 29

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Isaiah 40 : 8



### BOUQUET

Flowers in full bloom beautify,  
The garden like a large bouquet  
Of lilies, myrtle, pinks and phlox,  
Delphiniums and tall hollyhocks.  
Fragrant roses perfume the air,  
And on warm nights the scented stock  
By the lavender growing there.  
Truly the garden is a large bouquet,  
With fragrance sweet as if to say: –  
Creation's greeting for you today.