#### Series "Fixed On 66" "The Song of Solomon" Book 22

## Key Passage: Song of Solomon 7:10; 8:7

**Song of Solomon:** The title "Song of Songs" (like "holy of holies") means "the finest of all songs."

Since Solomon composed over 1,000 songs (1 Kings 4:32), this must be classified as the best of them all.

It is a book full of symbols and images, a book that requires maturity and spiritual discernment to appreciate and enjoy.

This book of Song of Solomon has been referred to as **"The most controversial book of the Bible."** 

Orthodox Jews were not allowed to read this book until they were thirty years of age.

## How to Interpret The Song of Solomon: (4 Different Approaches)

- 1. The Literal Meaning: (Marriage Manual) The Song of Solomon magnifies and sanctifies married love. God made both male and female, and it was He who "invented" sex.
- 2. The Historical Meaning: (Allegory) From the earliest days, the Jews saw in this story a picture of the relationship between Jehovah God and Israel. Israel was "wedded" to the Lord at Mount Sinai when the nation accepted the Law. Isaiah 54 spells out this marriage relationship, Jeremiah 3, and the entire Book of Hosea.
- 3. The Typical Meaning: (Christ and the Church) The marriage relationship is also used to describe the relationship between Christ and the church. Ephesians 5:23-33. This applies not only to the church collectively (all believers of this church age) but also to the church locally (2 Corinthians 11:2). Paul saw each local church as "wedded to Christ" The "marriage of the Lamb" is coming (Revelation 19:7-9). Christ shall return in glory and take His bride to heaven.
- **4. The Practical Meaning:** This book presents a vivid picture of faithful love and deepening communion. The intimate terms used only illustrate the wonderful love between Christ and the Christian.

The difficulty is that as you read, it is sometimes hard to follow who is speaking. That is why you need to read the context, which means the section.

## The Author: Solomon Song of Solomon 1:1, which is <u>Solomon's</u>.

When Written: About 965 B.C., which is probably in his early reign.

#### Where it was Written: Israel

Solomon writes about this one love of his life, a Shunamite woman. Here it is said of Solomon that he had 140 women. **Song of Solomon 6:8** 

**Purpose:** Written by Solomon about his love for a humble maiden. It pictures Jehovah's love for Israel. God's love for the believer.

Courtship **1:1-3:5** leads to marriage **3:6-5:1**, then the joys and trials of marriage **5:2-8:14**. The book is a presentation of the love of a husband and wife.

#### 1 Kings 1:3-4

Abishag was not a lady of the royal courts. She was a country girl.

She is what we would call "Natural Beauty." Of all the things that Solomon wrote, **Ecclesiastes, Proverbs,** This **Song of Solomon** with its eight chapters excels them all.

Theme: "Love In Marriage"

#### Key Words: Love 55 times

#### Key Chapter: Song of Solomon 8 Their Satisfying Communion:

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#### **Outline:**

1. Song of Solomon 1:1-3:5	The King Courts His Bride
2. Song of Solomon 3:6-5:1	The King Claims His Bride
<b>3.</b> Song of Solomon 5:2-8:14	The King Communes With His Wife

#### 1. Song of Solomon 1:1-3:5 The King Courts His Bride:

Song of Solomon 1:1

**The Song of Songs, –** "Best of the Songs," which is Solomon's.

Song of Solomon 1:2-2:7 The Banquet Hall Fellowship: Song of Solomon 1:2 "May he kiss me with the kisses of his mouth! When the prodigal came back to the father after being beaten by the world, the father kissed him. **Luke 15:20** The kiss of forgiveness and restoration. Here are the kisses of intimacy and communion.

**For your love is better than wine. Wine** – "*joy*" A relationship with God is the greatest.

Song of Solomon 1:3 Romans 7 nothing good inside.

Song of Solomon 1:4 "Draw me after you and let us run together! God must draw us in order to be able to run with Him. John 15 We are powerless!

Song of Solomon 1:5 "<u>I am black but lovely</u>, - When we see Jesus, we are undone **Isaiah 6:5** we are nothing.

Song of Solomon 2:1-2 We become like the one we love.

Song of Solomon 2:3 Psalm 34 Taste and see that the Lord is Good.

Song of Solomon 2:4 "He has brought me to his banquet hall, And his banner over me is love. It was not looser, get it together, but I love you!

Song of Solomon 2:8-17 The Springtime Visit:

**Song of Solomon 2:11-13** It is a new season! Come join me! We have the seasons of weather; there are seasons, spiritually speaking.

**Song of Solomon 2:14-15** It is the little foxes (Little Things) that can cause great problems.

Song of Solomon 3:1-5 The Night Quest: Song of Solomon 3:1 <u>I</u> sought him but did not find him. The invitation from the groom was not answered or responded to. Where is the Lord? Have we ever asked that?

Song of Solomon 3:2 <u>I must seek him whom my soul loves</u>.' I sought him but did not find him. Seek God, need to not take the relationship for granted.

## 2. Song of Solomon 3:6-5:1 The King Claims His Bride:

Song of Solomon 3:6-11 The Majestic Marriage Procession: Song of Solomon 3:6 Perfumed with <u>myrrh</u> and <u>frankincense</u>, Jesus, who has rescued us from the wilderness of sin. He, as our High Priest, offered Himself for our sins **Frankincense** was used for worship in the Temple; it is symbolic of Christ the High Priest. Gold is symbolic of Christ the King. **Myrrh**, a perfume, was used to anoint dead bodies, it is symbolic of His death for the sake of truth, and therefore of Christ the Prophet.

## Song of Solomon 3:7-8

Song of Solomon 3:9-11 Silver – Redemption, Gold – Divinity, Purple – Royalty.

# Song of Solomon 4:1-5:1 The Beauty of the Bride: Song of Solomon 4:1

**"How beautiful you are, my darling, How beautiful you are!** This applies to every Child of God. We can say I know that God loves the Christian, that Christian is you and me if we have trusted Jesus Christ.

**Your eyes are like doves behind your veil;** The **Dove** – is a clean bird, they are animals that have a partner forever. The Holy Spirit appeared as a dove.

Your hair is like a flock of goats That have descended from Mount Gilead. Hair in Scripture means consecration and submission. The Nazirite Judges 13:5 – consecration, long hair 1 Corinthians 11:15 was submission.

**Song of Solomon 4:8-9** God comes with another chance to go with Him. God is the God of the second chance. He will again give us that opportunity.

## 3. Song of Solomon 5:2-8:14 The King Communes With His Wife:

#### Song of Solomon 5:2-9 The Separation From Her Husband:

The honeymoon is now over, and the patterns of life can begin to set in. We can become indifferent and even thoughtless.

**Song of Solomon 5:2-3** Indifference: I don't want to get up, I am not dressed.

**Song of Solomon 5:4-5** This is how you left a love note, you put perfume or a scent on the door.

**Song of Solomon 5:6-7** When we are cold towards God, when we are not right with Him, we go through needless suffering.

Song of Solomon 5:8-9 What is so special about the one we love?

What is your description of Jesus Christ? Is there any that can compare to Him? Is there any that could take His place?

## Song of Solomon 5:10-16 Her Admiration of Her Husband:

**Song of Solomon 5:10-11** He is the most handsome of all husbands and is above all else.

**Song of Solomon 5:12 "His eyes are like doves, -** This song speaks about this throughout the book. It speaks of "Faithfulness" Doves are faithful to their mate for life.

Song of Solomon 5:13 She loves his face.

**Song of Solomon 5:14 "His hands are rods of gold Set with beryl;** Poetical description of his hands.

**gold** - Is a very soft metal. Which speaks of his tenderness towards her. Not abusing her.

## Ephesians 5:28-29; 1 Peter 3:7

**Song of Solomon 5:15** He is a gentle man, but he is also a pillar. He is not easily moved.

Song of Solomon 5:16 "His mouth is full of sweetness. And he is wholly desirable. He chooses his words wisely. To think before we speak.

## Song of Solomon 6:1-13 Their Meeting In The Garden:

**Song of Solomon 6:1-2 "My beloved has gone down to his garden,** He has gone to wait for her. This is a place of work. It is a place of nurturing.

Song of Solomon 6:3 "I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine, I belong to him, and he belongs to me. Song of Solomon 6:4-9 With His Words He Paves The Road For

**Reconciliation:** 

Song of Solomon 6:4 "You are as <u>beautiful as Tirzah</u>, my darling, As **lovely as <u>Jerusalem</u>**, He compares her to two beautiful cities. We don't do that much today.

As awesome as an army with banners. He is not interested in getting into a fight with her. He stays clear of war and fighting with her.

Song of Solomon 6:5 "Turn your eyes away from me, For they have confused me; Literally, "Turn your eyes away because they are stimulating me!"

**Song of Solomon 6:6-7** These are a repeat of what he said to her on his wedding night. What he is saying is that my love for you has not changed.

**Song of Solomon 6:8** You are better than all those of women.

**Song of Solomon 6:9** She is my only woman that I am committed to for life.

Song of Solomon 6:10-13 Reconciled and In Harmony. Song of Solomon 6:10-11 This description is of Spring. She goes down to the garden to see if it can be Spring in their relationship again.

**Song of Solomon 6:12 "Before I was aware, -** Before she could even say a word or start to share, he had swept her away in his chariot.

**Song of Solomon 6:13 O Shulammite** - She was from Shunem. Here the "N" is exchanged for an "L," it makes Shulammite the feminine form of Solomon. This is a play with words that show how close they are. Harmony - oneness.

As at the dance of the two companies? harmony, oneness.

**Come back, come back, that we may gaze at you!"** What do you see, or what do other's see? Are you friends and committed to Jesus and each other?

Song of Solomon 7:1-9 His Admiration of His Wife:

Song of Solomon 7:10-8:14 Their Satisfying Communion: Song of Solomon 8:5-7

# **Application:**

- 1. When We Are Cold, Indifferent Or Rejecting In Our Relationship Towards God, We Will Experience Needless Suffering. We Forfeit God's Protection And Blessings That Follow Persons That Are Right With God.
- 2. Our Relationship In Marriage Is Like Our Relationship With Jesus Christ, Which Is A Living And Abiding Relationship. God, Out Of His Infinite Gracious Love Draws Us To Himself. Our Part Is To Respond And Draw Ever Closer To God, As We Also Should In Marriage.