



Solomon
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Pure

The Song of Solomon
Love

Song of Solomon's purpose?

An allegory?

Not historical, but a vehicle for some deeper spiritual truth.

A typology?

Historical, with a parallel link to a New Testament truth.

A historical event?

Based on fact, a simple love story.



Song of Solomon's purpose?

This morning's approach:

*Describes an OT courtship,
then a wedding,
then a marital spat,
then a happy reunion.*

Love always wins!

1 Cor. 13:4-8

"Love never fails."



Song of Solomon's principles?

Solomon, a Shulamite girl,
and a shepherd.

*The power of true love of a person
over love of material things.*

Solomon and Shulamite.

*The power of true love to bridge
major social differences.*

Shepherd and Shulamite.

Love conquers all!



Our outline of S of S:

The anticipation of marriage
(courtship) - 1:1-3:15.

The reality of marriage (wedding
and wedding night) - 3:16-5:1.

The problems of marriage
(marital spat) - 5:2-6:3.

The healing of marriage (marital
reconciliation) - 6:4-8:4.



Anticipation of Marriage

There is a natural desire of man for woman and woman for man.

Companionship - Gen. 2:18 ff.

Sexual desire - 1 Cor. 7:2-3

Desirability - S of S 2:15-16



Anticipation of Marriage

Two of the three natural desires can begin to be fulfilled in courtship/dating.

Companionship

S of S 1:4; 2:10,14

Affirmation of Desirability

S of S 2:1-2



Anticipation of Marriage

The satisfaction of sexual desires is the privilege of the married, and ONLY the married.

Bible condemns fornication:

Gal. 5:1 9 - Work of the flesh.

1 Cor. 6:18 - Flee it.

1 Thes. 4:3 - Abstain from it.

Heb. 13:4 - God will judge it.

1 Cor. 7:2 - Marry to avoid it.



Anticipation of Marriage

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S of S 2:7

“Do not stir up or awaken love until it pleases.”



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Dating: A Dangerous Time!

S of S 2:13-14

A desire to "play in the vineyard"

S of S 2:15

The danger: "A fox in the vineyard!"

Be Careful!



Anticipation of Marriage

Five dating suggestions:

1. Watch what you wear.
2. Be careful about what you see on a date.
3. Be careful about where you go and how much time you spend alone.
4. Watch the hands (yours and theirs).
5. Make up your mind at the BEGINNING that sexual immorality is TOTALLY out of the question.

