

Song of Songs

Journeying into Divine Love

Part 1 Song of Songs 1:1-2



Scriptures

- **Song of Songs 1:1-2:** The Song of Songs, which is Solomon's. May he kiss me with the kisses of his mouth! For your love is better than wine.
- **1 Kings 4:32:** [Solomon] also spoke 3,000 proverbs, and his songs were 1,005.
- **2 Peter 1:20-21:** But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is *a matter* of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.
- **Revelation 19:7-9:** Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready. It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright *and* clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. Then he said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.'" And he said to me, "These are true words of God."
- **John 16:13-15:** But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and will disclose *it* to you. All things that the Father has are Mine; therefore I said that He takes of Mine and will disclose *it* to you.
- **Galatians 4:21-31:** Paul's allegorical interpretation of Mt. Sinai being symbolic of the Old Covenant.
- **Luke 24:27:** Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures.
- **Matthew 5:17:** Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.
- **Ecclesiastes 12:8:** "Vanity of vanities," says the Preacher, "all is vanity!"
- **Ephesians 5:31-32:** *For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.* This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.
- **Deuteronomy 8:3:** He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that He might make you understand that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the LORD.

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Main Points

- There are three main characters in the Song of Songs:
 - Jesus is paralleled by King Solomon.
 - The Bride of Christ, the church, is paralleled by the Shulamite maiden.
 - The Daughters of Jerusalem parallel less mature believers.
- All Scripture was given by the Holy Spirit, so the Song of Songs is not simply a letter from Solomon to one of His wives, it is intended to provide a deeper revelation. The deeper revelation is the relationship between Jesus and His bride, the church.
- Solomon, more than likely, had no idea that he was writing Scripture when he penned the Song of Songs.
- The Rabbis, over the centuries, have understood the Song of Songs to be about God's love for His people. Relating the wisdom books of the Bible to the tabernacle/temple, they taught that Proverbs was the Outer Court, Ecclesiastes was the Inner Court, and the Song of Songs was the Holy of Holies.
- God is giving revelation on the Song of Songs as we approach the end of the age, so we can remain steadfast through trials.
- The Song of Songs reveals the emotions of God – how God feels about us. It uncovers the bridal relationship between Jesus and the church.
- The primary role of the Holy Spirit is to glorify and reveal Jesus.
- Jesus is the center of the entire Bible, so the Song of Songs must be about Him.

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- The kisses of the King's mouth speak of two things. First, they express the idea of love and intimacy. Second, kisses of the mouth are typical of receiving the word of God into your heart and life.
- The Bride is asking for the heart of the King to be manifest to her. She states that knowing and experiencing God's love is better than anything this world has to offer (wine represents the best of this world).

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Discussion Questions

1. Discuss how 1 Peter 1:20-22 relates to the way we should interpret the Song of Songs.
2. What is the purpose of the Holy Spirit?
3. Who are the three primary characters in the Song of Songs and what or who do they parallel?
4. In terms of the heart or nature of God, what, primarily, does the Song of Songs reveal?
5. Discuss the first two verses of the book. What is a kiss from the King's mouth? What does wine represent?
6. Have you ever been "kissed" by Jesus? How? Discuss your experience(s) with the group.