

Song of Solomon #1

Chapter 1

- 1) Who wrote the, “song of songs”?
- 2) Reading verse 2, what type of song would you consider this to be? (choose one)
a) Drinking song b) Worship song c) Love song d) Funny song
- 3) Are the first few verses written from the man’s point of view or the woman’s?
- 4) Read verses 2-4. Is this song pretty sensual?
- 5) Are all forms of sensuality sinful?
- 6) Does the girl speaking in verses 5 & 6 have a tan (burn)?
- 7) What kind of work did she do?
- 8) Where did she plan to rendezvous with the man she loved?
- 9) Who starts speaking in verse 8? a) The woman b) The man (Solomon)
- 10) What title does he give her in verse 8?
- 11) Who obviously really loved horses?
- 12) Doesn’t it sound like she was a simple country girl and Solomon wanted to give her all the jewels of Israel?
- 13) Read verses 12-17. Is it sometimes hard to tell who is speaking?
- 14) This can be very helpful in understanding the book. Who do you think is speaking in the following verses:

verse 12	Solomon	His wife
verse 13	Solomon	His wife
verse 14	Solomon	His wife
verse 15	Solomon	His wife
verse 16	Solomon	His wife
verse 17	Solomon	His wife
- 15) Read verses 12-14. Are fragrances an important aspect of physical love?
- 16) Read verses 15 & 16. Are compliments important in love relationships?
- 17) Read verses 16 & 17. Is it pretty clear we are dealing with marital love here?

Chapter 2

- 1) Who do you think is speaking in the following verses:

<u>verse 1</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 2</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 3</u>	Solomon	His wife
<u>verse 4</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 5</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 6</u>	Solomon	His wife
<u>verse 7</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 8</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 9</u>	Solomon	His wife
<u>verse 10</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 11</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 12</u>	Solomon	His wife
<u>verse 13</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 14</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 15</u>	Solomon	His wife
<u>verse 16</u>	Solomon	His wife	<u>verse 17</u>	Solomon	His wife			
- 2) Isn’t it cool how it goes back and forth?
- 3) Is communication an important part of marital love?
- 4) Read verses 1-4. Which verse has been used to express the King’s (Jesus’) love for us?
- 5) Is there something special about watching your sweetheart sleep?
- 6) Read verse 8-13. Does it sound like she was waiting with expectation for her husband to come home?
- 7) Isn’t it romantic how he calls her away with him?
- 8) Won’t it be special when Jesus returns to call us away to be with him?
- 9) When is obviously a very special time of year for love?
- 10) Read verse 14. Isn’t it important to go to a hide away with your spouse every once in a while?
- 11) In verse 15 it talks about “the little _____ that are ruining the vineyards”.
- 12) In our marriages, can we often trace problems back to something small that was not addressed or dealt with?
- 13) What was the solution for the little fox problem?
- 14) “My _____ is mine, and I am _____;”
- 15) There is something about the marital relationship that can’t be expressed in other relationships. You belong to each other in a special way that no one else will ever experience. Doesn’t it sound special and comforting just to say it?

Song of Solomon #2

Chapter 3

- 1) Did this young woman have her husband (fiancé) on her mind?
- 2) Was she at the point that she felt like she couldn't stand to be away from him?
- 3) Have you ever felt this way about someone?
- 4) Shouldn't we feel this way about the Lord?
- 5) She went out at night. Who did she ask for information?
- 6) What did she do when she found him?
- 7) The narrative switches to Solomon in verse 5. What did he tell the maidens?
- 8) What did she see when she woke up?
- 9) How many body guards did Solomon have?
- 10) What day is she describing with this royal procession? (see vs 11)
- 11) How did she describe the day of his wedding? "the day of _____!"

Chapter 4

- 1) Verses 1-7 are Solomon describing his bride. Did his bride wear a veil?
- 2) How did he describe these attributes of his bride:
Teeth
Hair
Neck
Breasts
Lips
Eyes
Temple
- 3) His descriptions are so picturesque. Don't they sound romantic?
- 4) He sums it up with this: "You are altogether _____, my darling, and there is no _____ in you.
- 5) Where did Solomon want to take her for their honeymoon?
- 6) *Senir* means, "snow mountain". Which honeymoon destination do you think Solomon would have chosen if he lived here? a) Hawaii b) Florida c) Colorado
- 7) What two animals lived in those mountains at that time?
- 8) "You have made my _____ beat _____, my sister, my bride; you have made my heart beat faster with a single glance of your _____, with a single strand of your necklace."
- 9) Does it sound like there was much that Solomon did not like about his bride?
- 10) What was he intoxicated with? a) Wine b) Her love
- 11) You are a _____, a _____ of fresh water, and _____ flowing from Lebanon."
- 12) Does it sound like they visited some waterfalls on their honeymoon in the mountains?
- 13) Was Solomon impressed by how good she smelled?

Chapter 5:1-8

- 1) What did Solomon call her in verse 1? a) My best girl b) My garden c) My sweetheart
- 2) Read verses 2-6. What do you think she is describing?
a) Her wedding night
b) One night when the busy king came home late.
- 3) Don't you think this situation would have been avoided if Solomon had one wife and one home and one bedroom?
- 4) Doesn't that thought make you sad?
- 5) What ugly incident happened when she went to look for him in the city?
- 6) Do you think they recognized who she was?
- 7) After she gets back home, what illness does she tell her maidens she has?

Song of Solomon #3

Chapter 5:9-16

- 1) When the maidens ask the bride what was so special about her “beloved”, how does she describe Solomon’s physical attributes?
Head-
Hair-
Eyes-
Cheeks-
Lips-
Hands-
Legs-
Mouth-
- 2) She sums it up with this statement: “He is wholly _____. This is my _____ and this is my _____, O daughters of Jerusalem.”
- 3) “This is my beloved and this is my friend!” Wouldn’t this be a cool way to introduce your wife or your husband?

Chapter 6

- 1) Where did she tell her maidens her husband was?
- 2) “I am my _____ and my _____ is mine.” Doesn’t that sound poetic?
- 3) In verse 4, the one speaking switches to become the king. What speaking of the beauty of his bride, what description does he use (verses 4) that would only be used by a military man?
- 4) Does it sound like his bride had beautiful teeth?
- 5) How many wives did Solomon have at this time?
- 6) “Concubines” were mistresses but not officially “wives”. How many “concubines” did Solomon have at this point?
- 7) Look at II Kings 11:1-3. How many wives did Solomon end up with? How many concubines?
- 8) Read Deuteronomy 17:15-17. Do you think Solomon was following Scripture in this area of his life?
- 9) Isn’t this sad?
- 10) “...my dove, my perfect one, is _____.”
- 11) Does it sound like this should have been the girl that Solomon should have taken as his only wife?
- 12) Can you get some insight into what Song of Solomon 3:1 was talking about, when you consider her situation in his great harem?
- 13) Even the other women recognized how special she was. This is pretty powerful testimony from rivals: “Who is this that grows like the _____, as _____ as the full moon, as _____ as the sun, as an army with banners?”
- 14) “Shulammite” means “the perfect one” or “the peaceful one” Does it sound like Solomon misses her in verses 11-13?

Chapter 7

- 1) What did Solomon think about her feet?
- 2) How does he describe her curves here? “The work of the hand of an _____!”
- 3) What did Solomon describe as looking like a heap of wheat?
- 4) Would you (if you are a woman) or your wife (if you are a man) appreciate that description?
- 5) How did he describe her breasts?
- 6) Would you have the courage to describe your wife’s nose as being like “the tower of Lebanon”?
- 7) What captivated the king? a) Her fingers b) Her hair c) Her figure
- 8) For men, this is a good line to include in your next note to your wife: “How _____ and how _____ you are, _____, with all your charms.”
- 9) Read verses 6-13. Does it sound like God wants married people to thoroughly enjoy their physical relationship?
- 10) When you read verse 11-13, does a weekend getaway once in a while seem like a really good idea for married couples?

Song of Solomon #4

Chapter 8

- 1) Do verses 1-3 make it sound like Solomon's wife wished she had more say in when he would visit her?
- 2) Read I Corinthians 7:2-6. Does it sound like Solomon was providing his wife with the companionship she needed?
- 3) Do you think a man with 700 wives and 300 concubines (I Kings 11:3) can possibly be fair to his wives?
- 4) Verse 4 sounds to me like Solomon would arise early and get back to running the country. Don't you think it was hard for his wife, to not only give him up for his work, but also for 1000 other women?
- 5) Does verse 5, along with chapter 1 verses 5 & 6, seem to confirm that the queen was a country girl?
- 6) This is a very romantic poem:
"Put me like a seal over your _____, like a seal on your arm. For _____ is as strong as _____, jealousy is as severe as Sheol; its flashes are flashes of fire, the very flame of the LORD. Many waters cannot _____, nor will rivers overflow it; if a man were to give all the _____ of his house for _____, it would be utterly _____."
_____.
- 7) A seal used to guarantee the delivery or security of something. A letter with the king's seal would only be opened by the addressee upon penalty of death. Read Ephesians 1:13 & 14. What is given as the "seal" (guarantee) of our delivery to heaven?
- 8) Then who is the seal over your heart?
- 9) Once again, the next time you write your sweetheart a love note, try including this phrase: "Put me like a seal over your heart, like a seal on your arm. For love is as strong as death" Do you think something romantic like that would be well received?
- 10) Death is pretty powerful. What is just as strong?
- 11) Read I Corinthians 15:55-57. What made death so powerful? (Hint-verse 56)
- 12) Whose love is so powerful that it overcame death?
- 13) "Jealousy is as severe as Sheol; its flashes are flashes of fire, the very flame of the LORD."
Knowing what we do about the situation, what do you think could be the reason for this phrase?
- 14) Is real love easily quenched?
- 15) What is more valuable? a) Love b) Riches
- 16) Were girls, "spoken for", (engaged) at a young age back in the days of Solomon?
- 17) If a girl is not "well endowed" are there other ways she can adorn herself?
- 18) What is the best adornment for her, according to I Peter 3:3 & 4?
- 19) Does it sound like the queen matured a little bit between her engagement and her marriage?
- 20) What did Solomon own in Baal-haven?
- 21) Baal-Haven means: "Lord of abundance". Does it sound like this was a very productive vineyard?
- 22) Who else owned a vineyard?
- 23) When she went down to her vineyard, what did she instruct her companions to do?
- 24) Does it sound like she really missed her husband?
- 25) She longed just to hear him. Does it sound like, despite everything else, that she really loved Solomon?
- 26) "_____, my _____, and be like a gazelle or a young stag on the mountains of spices."
- 27) Is it sometimes hard to look past the facts that you know and see the genuine love that is expressed in this book?
- 28) Isn't it kind of obvious, that if only Solomon had followed the scriptures and been patient, that the Lord would have led him to this wonderful loving girl, to be his one and only?
- 29) Is romantic love part of God's plan for believers?