



Part 1: The Soundtrack of Love
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**The Song of Solomon (or Song of Songs)
is an intimate and explicit love song.**

Interesting notes about the book:

- There is no mention of God in the whole book
- Shulamite is both a geographical indicator and the feminine form of Solomon.
- The naked truth is that we are uncomfortable with the content
- The key verse: do not awaken love until it desires
- The key concept: pure passion is a God-given gift
- There is a storyline... but that will have to wait until next week!

**When you reach the end of your relational road, do you want to
look back with shame and regret or with joy and fulfillment?**

**Because the Bible tells “the rest of the story,” we know that Solomon lived
with shame and regret:**

Let your fountain be blessed, and rejoice in the wife of your youth, a lovely deer, a graceful doe... – Proverbs 5:18-19a

Enjoy life with the wife whom you love, all the days of your vain life that he has given you under the sun, because that is your portion in life and in your toil at which you toil under the sun. – Ecclesiastes 9:9

Rejoice, O young man, in your youth, and let your heart cheer you in the days of your youth. Walk in the ways of your heart and the sight of your eyes. But know that for all these things God will bring you into judgment. – Ecclesiastes 11:9 (English Standard Version)

Song of Songs 2:8-13

⁸ Listen! My beloved!

Look! Here he comes,
leaping across the mountains,
bounding over the hills.

⁹ My beloved is like a gazelle or a
young stag. Look! There he stands
behind our wall,
gazing through the windows,
peering through the lattice.

¹⁰ My beloved spoke and said to me,
*“Arise, my darling,
my beautiful one, come with me.*

¹¹ *See! The winter is past;
the rains are over and gone.*

¹² *Flowers appear on the earth;
the season of singing has come,
the cooing of doves
is heard in our land.*

¹³ *The fig tree forms its early fruit;
the blossoming vines
spread their fragrance.
Arise, come, my darling;
my beautiful one, come with me.”*

Pure, intimate love...

Begins with attraction...

anticipates an arrival...

and is resolved in a godly, passionate union.

**If you had passion at one time but lost it,
the good news is that God can help you find it again!**

Next Steps

Need some help discovering or rediscovering your passion? Check out one or both of these upcoming Friday Evening/Saturday Morning workshops!

Who God Made You to Be, taught by former CTK pastor Mark Warren, will help you uncover your personal passion, purpose and spiritual gifts. Read more in CTK Life. Register today at the Connection Point or online at www.ctk.church.
Friday, October 21 • 6-9 PM and Saturday, October 22 • 8 AM-1 PM

Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work offers time-tested, research based, proven principles for helping any marriage get better, no matter how good (or bad) it is. Read more in CTK Life and register today at the Connection Point or online at www.ctk.church.

Friday, November 18 • 6-9 PM and Saturday, November 19 • 8:30 AM-1 PM

Small Group Questions

- 1) If you had to pick one song as a theme song for your life, what would it be?
- 2) Did you have a grade school crush? Who was it, and what made you fall for that person?
- 3) Why do you believe God put Song of Songs in the Bible?
- 4) Read the excerpt from Song of Songs 2. What does passion look like to a woman? How about to a man (the section in italics)? Why do you think they're different?
- 5) How would you describe a passionate relationship with Jesus? Do you have one?
- 6) How can we pray for you right now and throughout the week?