## **Songs of Songs**

Superlative title; the most awesome and amazing song. The greatest song. Highest of the high. Describes the ultimate relationship.

Written by Solomon. Poetry. Wrote poetry like his father. A collection of love poems. Complicated characters and plots that are always changing.

Why is it in the Canon?

Love. Love of the Father for the Son. John 17:26. And for us. John 15:9. Intimacy and deep love. Marital terms. Sharing. Fire of Supernatural love.

Bridegroom. Marriage Feast. The Groom is so in love with the Bride.

Jesus sees *completion*, not our flaws. Sees what was planned since before time. The Love and Intimacy of God through Jesus revealed by the Spirit. The goal of the Plan of salvation. Restoration of the Garden of Eden.

Song of the Bridegroom to the bride. Song of the Lamb? Rev 15: 3-4.

Bridegroom (Jesus) sings to the bride. Washes her with His Word. Sings in the midst of all the other characters.

Revival of holy passion. He romances people. Bridal relationship. Romantic language touches us very powerfully. He wants to touch our whole heart and person. We were created with powerful emotions. We need to understand how God really feels about us.

We love Him because He first loved us. I John 4:19.

Holy Spirit reveals Jesus to our hearts. Emotions are changed. We are awed and fascinated.

More important to our "terminal generation." II Timothy 1-5. Mat 24:12.

We have to **trust** in the relationship.

Psalm 2:11- 12 – trembling awe; serve the LORD with fear and trembling. But "kiss" the Son – enter into a personal relationship with Him. Love Him above everything and everyone else.

3 books showing different aspects of God:

Revelation-Power and Majesty

Romans- Grace of salvation

Song of Songs-Passion and Love

All 3 revealed by the Spirit in the Scriptures.

Spirit speaks to the Body of Christ. Prophetic of restoration and intimacy.

The Son is promised a bride without spot or wrinkle. Eph 5:27. Will be fulfilled. Groom and Bride are both beautiful.

Our longing to feel beautiful satisfied. Also feel safe. Our culture answers in the wrong way.

Men and women in the highest order of creation. Reign together with Jesus. He is at Right Hand of the Throne. We are royalty because we are adopted sons and daughters through Christ. `

Longing for intimacy without shame. Mutual sharing with the Heavenly Groom. He knows our sin and our shame (like a spouse does).

The more intimate we are with Christ, the more the Spirit reveals to us.

Angels don't have this.

Longing for acceptance and assurance. Finished Work of the Cross. Bride feels sought after and delighted. Divine Love imparted to our hearts.

Kingdom of darkness wants to obscure this. Great accuser. Rev 12:10.