

Song Of All Songs

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The following is a **VERY** brief commentary on the “song commentary” called Song Of All Songs, which has grown out of my meditations and the commentaries I have studied on the “song of songs, which is Solomon's” or as I like to call it; the “Song of ALL songs, which is the Lord's” (SOS 1:1).

The Song Of All Songs is a verse by verse collection of songs from the Song of Solomon (SOS). The Song of Solomon is a book in the Bible with eight chapters (Some Bibles call it the Song of Songs) and is located near the middle of the Bible. We're planning to record one CD for each chapter to complete an eight CD series, called Song Of All Songs. We've finished the first two CDs (the first two chapters).

As you listen to the Song Of All Songs CDs you'll notice that each song follows along progressively with the chapters and verses of the Song Of Solomon in the Bible. Follow along in the Bible as you listen to the CDs and learn to sing and pray this song from your heart to Jesus.

This song is a journey and it can begin in your heart now and continue for the rest of your life. This song is THE Song of all songs, it's THE Romance of all romances, it's THE Drama of all dramas... it's THE Story of all stories... and it's a TRUE story... and it's YOUR story... and it lasts FOREVER.

The Song Of All Songs describes our progressive development into a mature and intimate relationship with Jesus Christ, our “Bridegroom King”. It describes our “bride of Christ” journey as we progress into deep intimacy and holiness with God. Chapter One is where we all start as individuals. I recommend that you “begin” your journey today and **soak your heart** in the Song Of All Songs for the rest of this day and evening... and then late tonight... and all this week... and month... for 10 years or so (We plan to record Chapter Three in 2009). This song will help you grow your love life with Jesus.

The **blessing that you will receive into your heart** from this song comes slowly at first, sometimes in slow drips, sometimes in trickles but then soon it comes in streams and rivers... and then in time... it will come into your heart like a fire... and it will empower you to love God in an amazing way... and it will empower you to love others with a power and a multiplication that only God can provide.

This song is a “Holy of holies” experience (on earth as it is in heaven). The language of this song in the Bible is written with a “Solomon's Temple” type of vocabulary. I've used a little of this “language” while writing some of these songs. King Solomon built a big temple on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem where the Jews came to worship God. Solomon built his temple using the “Tabernacle of Moses” for his blueprint. You may find it interesting to learn a bit more about the Tabernacle of Moses, Solomon's Temple and also the “Tabernacle of David”. The ancient Rabis likened the “Song of songs” to the place in Solomon's Temple called the Holy of holies and they teach us that God spoke and created the heavens and the earth from the Holy of holies. This song is VERY powerful in revealing God's creativity to our hearts and there is an amazing and prophetic blessing for you in the Holy of holies.

This song was also written for gardeners and farmers to be able to understand. I love the life giving “language” of the garden and of God's beautiful creation. The Song of Solomon has been written in a

way that makes you “slow down” and “take your time”. It's important that we slow down and take lots of time with God... that we sloooooow down and start spending lots of time with Jesus. That's what our lives are about... and God LOVES and LONGS for YOU to take lots of time with Him. I hope that your life is deeply touched and changed by listening to and singing the Song Of All Songs to the Lord Jesus.

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The first 5 songs on Chapter One are **foundational** to understanding the Song of Solomon. Let these first 5 songs get deep into your heart. I like using anointing oil sometimes as I listen to the songs. Frankincense and myrrh is one of my favorite oils. It's what Jesus smells like in Song of Solomon 3:6.

Song 1: Bridegroom King (SOS 1:2a)... Ask God to reveal His intimate love and word to you... **Why?**

Song 2: Better Than Wine (SOS 1:2b)... **Because** His love is better than *everything* else.

Song 3: Pour Your Name Forth (SOS 1:3)... **Because** He smells sooooo good.

Song 4: Draw Me After You (SOS 1:4a)... This song is your “mission statement” as a lover of God.

SOS 1:4a is the “first and second commandment” from the Bible: “To know and love God (Draw me after You) and to make His love known to others (and we will run together)”.

Song 5: The Chambers Of My King (SOS 1:4b)... This is God's response to your prayer for intimacy.

The next two songs:

Our journey begins in Song of Solomon 1:5 as we realize we are dark but lovely to God. Yes we deserve to die and go to hell because of sin in our hearts but God loves us deeply and sees us for who we are in Christ. Even while we were yet sinners Christ died for us and even while we are dark in heart we are lovely to Him. He sees the “yes” of God's love that by grace has come deep into our spirit and because of that we are beautiful to Him. **This song is important to get deep into your heart.** Let this song wash you over and over. God loves you and wants you to have a deep, personal connection with Him in your heart... intimacy without shame or guilt or any fear of Him rejecting you. Even though you are weak and make mistakes, you are lovely to God. Trust and follow Jesus... He will help you grow.

Song 6: Dark But Lovely (SOS 1:5-6)... As long as we live in these mortal bodies... sing this song.

Song 7: The Shepherd and His Sheep (SOS 5-8)... Follow Jesus and stay in the body of Christ.

The next two songs:

You are amazing to God... He sees you for who you really are... You are the bride of Christ. He sees where this whole thing is heading... and already here in Chapter One He is whispering sweet messages into your spirit about the reality of who you really are. You are like His favorite filly among an army of majestic and powerful horses... Sing His word back to Him. He has a beautiful plan for you and He will be faithful to perfect His love in your heart... and to give you “ornaments of gold with beads of silver”.

Song 8: Filly Of The King (SOS 1:9-10)... You are the Lord's chosen.

Song 9: Baptize My Heart (SOS 1:11)... He is perfecting His word in your heart.

Regarding the last song on Chapter One:

The last song on Chapter One and the first four songs on Chapter Two are a “five song set”. We need to stay in this place for a loooooong time. Go deep here... and stay here until “He calls you off the couch”. Jesus desires for you to “know” Him intimately. He'll let you know when it's time to get off the couch and run together. Seek intimacy with Jesus. Now is the time to go deep... deep in love with Jesus.

Song 10: You Are Mine (SOS 1:12-17)... Hours and hours forever and ever.

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The first four songs on Chapter Two are again part of a “five song set” that actually starts with the last song on Chapter One (You Are Mine). We need a deep and intimate relationship with Jesus Christ to be established in our hearts... This takes time. Of the thousands of hours that I've spent in the Song Of All Songs I have spent 100s of hours weeping here in “this place”. This portion of scripture is some of the most intimate and beautiful worship in all of the Bible. Stay in this place of worship... as long as it's needed... as long as it pleases. The Lord will call you when it's time to get off the couch and take risks on the mountains. You need to get deeply connected to God... Stay here on the couch.

Song 1: The One That You Love (SOS 2:1-2)... Jesus says you are His favorite... sing this song to Him.

Song 2: Apple Tree (SOS 2:3)... Jesus, there is no one like You... Awaken Your love in my heart.

Song 3: Lovesick And Longing (SOS 2:4-5)... Jesus, Your love is my food... Sustain me, refresh me.

Song 4: Here On The Couch (SOS 2:6-7)... Rest deeply... KNOW this intimate place in Jesus.

The next two songs:

Jesus is now calling His love to come out of the comfort zone, to trust and follow Him into a place of risk. Tasks that you once thought impossible now stand before you like mountains and Jesus is calling you to trust Him and to ascend these mountains with Him. He has established in your heart a place of deep and personal intimacy with Him and now He's calling you “off the couch” to come run with Him.

Song 5: The Voice Of My Beloved (SOS 2:8-9)... I love the violin (voice of my Beloved) on this song.

Song 6: Come Away (SOS 2:10-13)... We are growing in love.

The next two songs:

It's normal to be afraid of stepping out in faith... Mountains can be dangerous. “You there in the secret place in the rock (Jesus)... keep looking and singing to Jesus”. He loves it... even when you're afraid.

Song 7: Dove Song (SOS 2:14)... Jesus I love You... Jesus I need You.

Song 8: Jesus We Love You (SOS 2:14)... Dedicated to dear loved ones who are trying to understand.

The next song:

We are all sooooo fragile in our hearts. We all have areas in our lives that trouble us. We want to grow and get strong in our faith and to be able to trust Jesus in areas of risk but then there's these dang foxes!

Song 9: Catch Us The Foxes (SOS 2:15)... They keep wrecking our tender new beginnings.

The next song:

Song 10: You Are Mine/Reprise (SOS 2:16)... Jesus, You are mine and I know where You feed me.

The last song on Chapter Two:

Song 11: Until The Day Breaks (SOS 2:17)... I'm just too afraid to go run on the mountains with You.

You're going to LOOOOOVE Chapter 3 and 4... and 5... and 6... and 7... and 8... More Lord... More!!!