

The Bible Panorama – Poetry V: Song of Songs

“Our Love Song”

Song of Songs 8:6-7

Going Beyond the sermons into the Scripture preached by Pastor Peter Oh on March 4, 2018

Entering In:

Is love the most important element in a human relationship? Why or why not?

Share one sentence about when you have felt so loved by another person.

1. Reviewing Poetry, describe a theme of each book.

- Job:
- Psalms:
- Proverbs:
- Ecclesiastes:
- Song of Songs: Understand the nature of love both in human relationship and in our relationship with God

2. Scanning Song of Songs, who are the speakers?

How would you respond to someone who doubts Solomon’s authorship of this book because he had 700 wives and 300 concubines (cf. 1 Kings 11:3)?

How would you respond to each of the following reasons given by those who doubt the canonicity of this book?

- A. God is not mentioned anywhere in this book.
- B. Explicit language describing physical intimacies is not appropriate.
- C. The book is difficult to interpret.

3. We don’t fully comprehend God’s will, but what is God’s primary message for us in Song of Songs?

In other words, what kind of love is Song of Songs about?

- A. God’s love for his people
- B. Christ’s love for the church
- C. The nature of love between a man and a woman
- D. Other

4. What are the two elements of mutual satisfaction/affection mentioned in the sermon? Why do you think they are necessary for mutual affection?

- A.
- B.

What is the common theme of 2:16, 6:3, and 7:10? What does this teach about love for our spouse?

What is the common theme of Leviticus 26:12, Jeremiah 30:22, and Ezekiel 36:28?

What event are these verses summarizing (Genesis 17:7)? What does this teach us about God's love?

Considering your answers to the previous two questions, explain how marriage is a *covenant* relationship. (cf. Ephesians 5:22, 25, 32)

5. What phrases in 2:3-6 describe the intensity of the *beloved's* desire for her *lover*?

What do you think is the significance of the phrase, "his banner over me was love" (2:4)?

6. In Song of Songs 8:6-7, what 5 statements are made about this kind of love?

What does "If one were to give all one's wealth for love, it would be utterly scorned" mean?

How did Jesus show the power of love at Calvary?

How may we show the strength of our love for God in return?

In your love relationship with another person, how will you strengthen your love (be specific)?

7. In what ways does love bring rest (peace) and joy at home?

Share how you experience God's rest and joy in your Christian life.

Living It Out:

Pray that you may love more intimately at home and in the church.

Pray also that we may all grow in our love relationship with the Lord.

