

Interesting Facts About Song of Solomon

AUTHOR: Solomon

TIME WRITTEN: Probably early in Solomon's life, about

POSITION IN THE BIBLE:

- 22nd Book in the Bible
- 22nd Book in the Old Testament
- 5th and last of 5 Poetical books (Job - Song of Solomon)
- 44 Books to follow it.



CHAPTERS: 8

VERSES: 117

WORDS: 2,661

SONG OF SOLOMON

OBSERVATIONS ABOUT SONG OF SOLOMON:

- Solomon is mentioned 7 times in the book.
- Song of Solomon:
 - Is a love song.
 - Abounds in:
 - Metaphors
 - Oriental imagery.
- The book is arranged like scenes in a drama.
- There are three main speakers in the book.
 - The bride (a Shulamite girl)
 - The king (Solomon)
 - A chorus (daughters of Jerusalem)
- By the time of Song of Solomon, Solomon's harem had:
 - 700 queens
 - 300 concubines
 - 640 more queens to be chosen
 - 220 more concubines to be chosen
- Song of Solomon depicts:
 - The wooing and wedding of a shepherdess by King Solomon.
 - The joys and heartaches of a shepherdess by King Solomon.

- Although Solomon knew 1,005 songs (1 Kings 4:32), song of Solomon is considered the greatest.
- Song of Solomon alludes to:
 - 21 species of plants
 - 15 species of animals
- Song of Solomon refers to 15 geographical locations from Lebanon in the north to Egypt in the south.
 - Kedar (1:5)
 - Egypt (1:9)
 - En Gedi (1:14)
 - Sharon (2:1)
 - Jerusalem (2:7)
 - Lebanon (3:9)
 - Mount Gilead (4:1)
 - Amana (4:8)
 - Senir (4:8)
 - Hermon (4:8)
 - Tizrah (6:4)
 - Heshbon (7:4)
 - Damascus (7:4)
 - Carmel (7:5)
 - Baal-Hamon (8:11)
- "Shulamite" may have been derived from the town of Shunem, located southwest of the Sea of Galilee in the land assigned to Issachar.
- 49 words appear in Song of Solomon that are not to be found anywhere else in the Bible.
- Song of Solomon is a book about the love of a man and a woman and its dimensions of:
 - Attraction
 - Desire
 - Companionship
 - Pleasure
 - Union
 - Separation
 - Faithfulness
 - Praise

