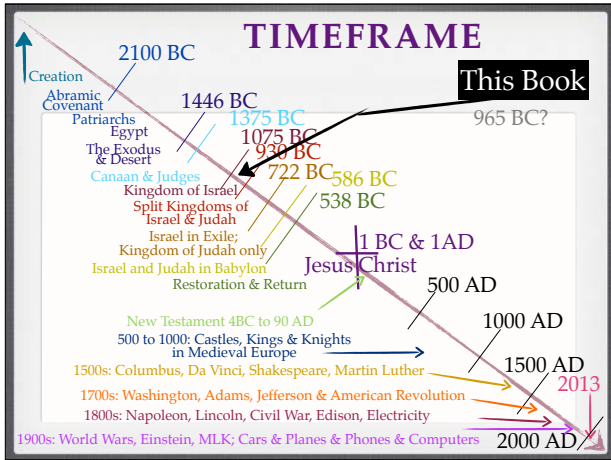
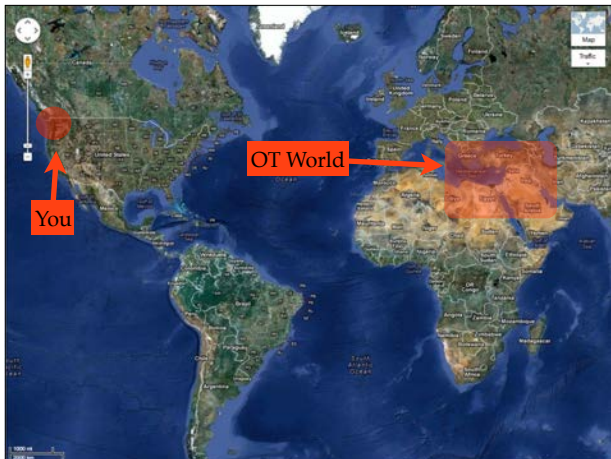


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TYPE OF BOOK

- Moses' Torah / Pentateuch
- History
- Poetry & Wisdom ✓
- Major (Long-book) Prophets
- Minor (Short-book) Prophets

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AUTHOR

- 1:1
- Solomon

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READERS & RECIPIENTS

- Some people wonder why this book is in the Bible.
- “The Song of Solomon, interpreted as a depiction of Christ and the Church, was one of the most commonly taught books of Scripture during the ancient and medieval eras. Rightly interpreted and applied, the Song celebrates one of the most important aspects of human life: marital love, from which human life springs anew. This important theme is deeply rooted in scriptural faith”. LSB 1066

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STORYLINE

- Chapters 1-3 are a series of memories of the courtship of the Shulamite wife by Solomon.
- Chapter 4 Solomon praises her from head to foot.
- Chapters 5-8 are poetry about the joys of love in marriage.

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Major OT Themes found in this Book: 10

1. God is Love
2. God Creates
3. Israel (we) are supposed to be God's Obedient Servants
4. Israel (we) are Sinful
5. God is Angry with His People for Rejecting Him
6. God Forgives and Blesses those who Follow Him
7. Israel (we) are God's Chosen Examples
8. God Speaks through His Prophets
9. God is Always with His People
10. God is Just and Merciful
11. God Keeps His Promises
12. Israel (we) are Redeemed and Restored by the Blood of Christ
13. Israel (we) are JoGoFd
14. Israel (we) will Inherit the Kingdom of God

THEOLOGICAL CONTRIBUTION 11

- "The great message of the Song of Solomon is the beauty of love between a man and a woman as experienced in the relationship of marriage." ...Marriage is a natural and proper part of God's plan, reflecting his purpose for the human race. (CBH 116)
- Authentic love is possible in the world because God brought love into being and planted that emotion in the hearts of people. We should remember that love which we share for each other is not a product of human goodness, but the love of God working in our lives. (CBH 116)
- All love comes from God.

SECULAR CONTRIBUTION 12

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KEY VERSE

- 7:10
- Copy it.
- "I am my beloved's, and his desire is for me."ESV
- "Thanks be to God that He does not forsake us when our hearts or thoughts stray." LSB 1075

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REQUIRED READING

- Chapter 3, and 4: 1-4

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WHEN TO TURN HERE

- Marriage vows
- How does God love us?--He loves us more than two lovers. We accept the gift of love he offers--love in a family, among friends, and between lovers.
- Appreciation for God's gifts

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LUTHER SAYS:

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- This book “is a song of praise, in which Solomon praises God for obedience, as for a gift of God....Where there is obedience and good governing there God dwells, he kisses and embraces his dear bride with his word, which is the kiss of his lips”. (LSB 1066)



MR. MARTIN SAYS:

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Key Word: Love

An Allegory: A love story between Solomon and one of his wives.

Meaning: We love one another in marriage. The joy of this love is a gift of God. Love is available on earth because God has shown us how to love.

4:1 Her hair is a flock of goats--imagine beautiful, long, wavy hair.

LIFE LESSONS FROM SONG OF SONGS

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- “As you read the Song of Solomon consider this: if earthly love and life are so wondrous and stirring, how much more wonderful will eternal love and life be?” (LSB 1066) We have trouble comparing earth and heaven, but in this book, this is a main theme. In your imagination, how does earth compare to heaven?
- Revelation 21; Isaiah 6; Acts 7:54-60; Psalm 11?
