

The author of the book known as *Song of Songs* (also called *Song of Solomon*) is Solomon, the son of David, as indicated in the very first verse of the book:

*“The Song of Songs, which is Solomon’s.”*  
Song of Songs 1:1 (ESV)

King Solomon was divinely gifted with great wisdom and understanding. Scripture records that he composed a vast number of proverbs and songs:

*“He also spoke 3,000 proverbs, and his songs were 1,005.”*  
1 Kings 4:32 (ESV)

Among all the songs Solomon wrote, this particular one was considered the best thus its title, *“The Song of Songs”* (i.e., the greatest song). This phrase follows a Hebrew superlative pattern, much like the expressions:

- “King of kings” (1 Timothy 6:15)

- “Holy of holies” (*Exodus 26:33-34*)

Such expressions are used to emphasize supremacy or excellence. Therefore, just as the “*King of kings*” is the highest of all kings, the “*Song of Songs*” is the finest among songs.

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### The Song of Songs More Than Poetry

This book stands as one of Solomon’s most profound writings, carrying deep wisdom inspired by God. On the surface, it is a poetic dialogue exploring the love between a bride and her bridegroom, filled with vivid imagery, passion, and devotion.

However, throughout church history, theologians have also recognized that this book symbolizes the spiritual relationship between Christ and the Church between the Bridegroom (Christ) and His Bride (believers).

This aligns with New Testament themes, such as:

*“Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and*

*gave himself up for her.”*

Ephesians 5:25 (ESV)

*“Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready.”*

Revelation 19:7 (ESV)

So while *The Song of Songs* is a celebration of romantic love in marriage, it also foreshadows the divine love Christ has for His people a covenant love that is eternal, faithful, and intimate.

To explore more in depth insights into this book, including its connection to other wisdom books of Solomon, click here:

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You may also explore the following thematic lessons found within this rich and poetic book:

1. What Does “Do Not Awaken Love Until It Pleases” Mean?

*Song of Songs 2:7*

*“I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem... that you not stir up or awaken love until it pleases.”*

This speaks to the importance of waiting for the right time for love a call to patience, purity, and honoring God’s timing in relationships.

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2. Don’t Delay Open Your Heart to Love

Love requires a heart that is ready and willing. Delays in vulnerability or holding back emotionally can hinder the beauty of genuine connection, both in human relationships and in our walk with Christ.

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3. Different Seasons The Changing Nature of Love

Just as nature changes, so do the seasons of love. Understanding that love can grow, be tested, and mature helps believers navigate the dynamics of marriage and faith alike.

*“For behold, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone.”*  
Song of Songs 2:11

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4. The Wonder of Christ’s Covenant Love

The love of Christ is not based on emotion alone it is a covenant. This book reflects that sacred commitment, reminding us that Jesus’s love for us is unwavering and sacrificial.

*“Set me as a seal upon your heart... for love is strong as death.”*  
Song of Songs 8:6

May the Lord bless you as you seek to understand the depth of His love through this sacred book of Scripture. May your heart be

awakened to the intimacy, faithfulness, and beauty of Christ's covenant with His people.

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