# Song of Solomon

Theme: An Agonizing Search for The Good Life

#### Weekly Reading Schedule

- Sunday Ecc. 1 3
- Monday Ecc. 4 6
- ☐ Tuesday Ecc. 7 9
- Wednesday Ecc. 10-12
- ☐ Thursday SoS 1 3
- ☐ Friday -SoS 4 6
- Saturday -SoS 7 8

#### Memory Verses:

- ★ Song of Solomon 2:1
- ★ Song of Solomon 2:4
- ★ Song of Solomon 2:16-17
- ★ Song of Solomon 8:6-7
- ★ Your Choice:

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### Memorable Outline of Song of Solomon

- I. The Title (1:1)
- II. Courtship (1:2-3:5)
- III. The Bridal Procession (3:6-11)
- IV. The Wedding (4:1-5:1)
- V. The Life of Love (5:2-8:7)
- VI. Conclusion (8:8-14)

## What to look for as you read:

- A determination of the most certain interpretation of the song.
- The beauty in the figurative language describing love, the lovers, and the act of marriage.
- Understanding of difficult and unusual metaphors.
- 4. To aid in understanding read this book as well as Ecclesiastes several times in a variety of translations. Compare them for expression.

### Interesting Facts:

- Known as: Song of Solomon, Song of Songs, Canticle of Canticles, the title comes from the first line of the Hebrew text-- sir hassirim which is literally the superlative form of "songs".
- Recognized as one of the most difficult books in the Bible to interpret: Is it a literal love story or a spiritual allegory? An allegory of God & Israel or Christ & the church. Or a poem about conjugal love in marriage?
- Psalm 45 as a king's wedding song is a companion song to this book.
- The book contains 8 chapters, 117 verses, 2,658 words, and can be read in about 20 minutes.

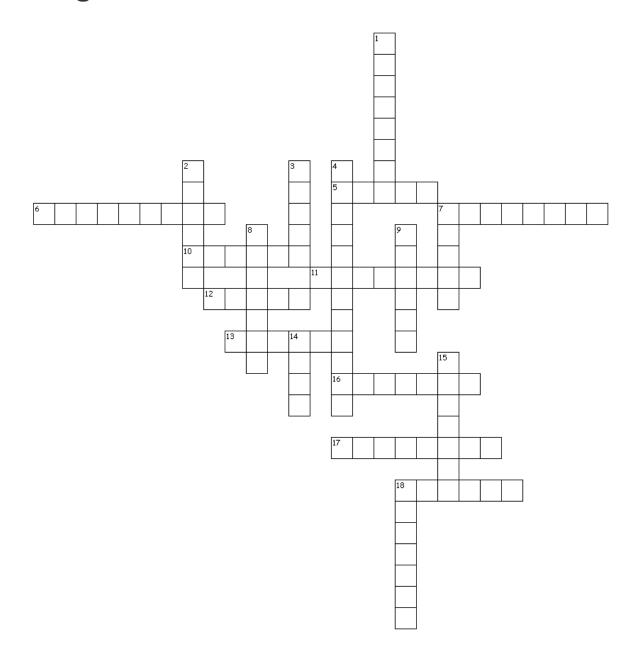
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## Scheme of Redemption

Redemption's Love Song

"Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave; the goals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame" (8:6).

# **Song of Solomon**



#### Across

- 5. My beloved is white and
- 6. The  $\_$  give a smell
- 7. The  $\_$  that go about the city
- 10. Thy  $\underline{\phantom{a}}$  are comely with rows of jewels
- 11. Let us lodge in the
- 12. Of our house are cedar
- 13. Honey and milk are under thy
- 16. Spikenard and
- 17. Calamus and
- 18. His \_\_ over me was love

#### Down

- 1. Thou hast my heart
- 2. Many waters cannot \_\_ love
- 3. Take us the \_\_, the little \_\_
- 4. With all trees of
- 7. O thou fairest among
- 8. Chariot made of wood of
- 9. I am the rose of
- 14. We will make thee borders of
- 15. Made himself a chariot
- 18. My \_\_ is mine