Part 1 - Ice Breaker

- Who is on your Solomon on Sex Invest and Invite Card? What steps have you taken to invite them?
- Have you given away any Solomon on Sex Invitation Cards? To whom? How did it go?
- Did you choose to use a yard sign?

Part 2 - Sermon Review

1. What are your thoughts on studying this book as a church? What are reasons the church should study it? What are pitfalls in studying this book we should avoid?

2. What are your reservations about studying love, marriage and God honoring sexuality from Solomon, the guy who ended up with 700 wives and 300 girlfriends?

3. Play the “Newlywed Game.” Tell the ladies to leave the room. Have the guys write on a card answers to the following questions.
   1. Guys, what do you need to improve on to make yourself more attractive to your spouse?
   2. Guys, what would your wife say is an opportunity for improvement in your character?
   3. Guys, what clothing in your wardrobe does your wife find least attractive?
   4. Guys, what clothing in your wardrobes does she like most?
   5. Guys, what is your wife’s favorite way to be “drawn in” to your marriage relationship?

   Bring the ladies back in the room and have them give answers to the same questions. Couples with matching answers get a point. See which one is the winner!

4. What is one thing the Holy Spirit is prompting you to do from this sermon?

5. Hold each other accountable to do the sermon homework!
Part 3 - Digging Deeper

There are a variety of outlines for the book. Below is the rough outline I will follow. I do not offer this as the perfect outline. I reserve the right to adjust it as I continue my study. I share it to give you a rough understanding of the movements in the book.

1. Courtship and Marriage - 1:2-5:1
   1.1. First Idyll: The Wedding Day Reflections - 1:2-2:7
      1.1.1. First Reflection: Shulamite preparing for the wedding feast. - 1:2-8
      1.1.2. Second Reflection: At the Wedding Feast - 1:9-14
      1.1.3. Third Reflection: In the Bridal Chamber - 1:15-2:7
      1.2.1. Fourth Reflection: A Springtime Visit - 2:8-17
      1.2.2. Fifth Reflection: Dreams of Separation - 3:1-5
   1.3. Third Idyll: Marital Union Reflections - 3:6-5:1
      1.3.1. Sixth Reflection: The Wedding procession - 3:6-11
      1.3.2. Seventh Reflection: The Wedding night - 4:1-5:1

2. Sexual Adjustments in Marriage - 5:2-8:14
   2.1. Fourth Idyll: Sexual problem reflections - 5:2-6:9
      2.1.1. Eighth Reflection: Shulamit's trouble dream of love refused - 5:2-6:3
      2.1.2. Ninth Reflection: The return of Solomon - 6:4-9
   2.2. Fifth Idyll: The return to Galilee reflections - 6:10-8:14
      2.2.1. Tenth reflection: The Dance of the Mahanaim - 6:10-7:10
      2.2.2. Eleventh Reflection: Shulamit's desire to visit home - 7:11-8:4
      2.2.3. Twelfth Reflection: Journey to the country - 8:5-7
      2.2.4. Thirteenth Reflection: At Shulamit's country home - 8:8-14

As I assemble these messages, you will notice I am keeping things very high level and orientated toward application. I encourage you to “do the homework” from the message and hold each other accountable.

Love you guys and I hope this series is a rich blessing for your marriages!

Because of Christ,

Kurt