Introduction to Song of Songs: Part Two

The Language of the Book

1. There are 470 w_____ in the book; forty-seven are never used a_____ else in the Old Testament, and fifty-one of them are used f_____ times or less elsewhere.

2. Many c_____ or r_____ in the book are not easily u_____ or a_____ by readers today (4:1-8).

3. The book does not include typical Biblical theological terms like s_____, c_____, L_____, h_____, l_____ or b_____.

4. This is a book of Hebrew p_____ , and p_____ is found throughout it. This includes r_____ an idea (2:8b), r_____ (antithesis) an idea (1:6c), or e_____ an idea (2:6).

The Structure of the Book

1. Some have such a h_____ t_____ seeing a basic structure to the book, they conclude that it is an a_____ of disconnected l_____ poems. Yet, remember our o_____ t_____.

2. Others see a c_____ structure of perfect s_____ and of a perfectly s_____ narrative.

3. Still others consider it a t_____ d_____.

4. We will give an o_____ later, but for now, we should note that there is a "broad d_____ and logical f_____ to the song" (Ian Duguid).

The Characters in the Book

1. The Hebrew t_____ does not d_____ identify any of the speakers or directly i_____ when someone d_____ is speaking.

2. Note the following attempted designations: N.I.V – b_____, f_____, and l_____; E.S.V. – s___, o_____, and h__; N.K.J.V. – the S_____, the D_____ of J_____, the b_____, h___ b_____, and a r_____.

3. The l_____ is called a S_____ (6:13).

4. The m____ is identified as a k_____ (1:4) and as a s_____ (1:7).

5. Some think S_____ is attempting to add the Shulammite to his h_____ and is taking her away from her beloved shepherd as the poem becomes a depiction of a l_____ t_____.

6. Some identify S_____ as the s_____ man in the story.

7. It seems preferable to see the male l_____ as a s_____ who is like a K_____ to his lover.

8. We will thus t_____ the Song of Songs as a love poem about two c_____ f_____,

9. We will also consider how their e_____ l_____ for one another is far better than Solomon's m_____ w_____ (I Kings 11:1-8, Song of Songs 8:11-12).

10. We will also c_____ as we go along the "o_____" in the book.