

Summary of The Love Song of Solomon

Part 1: An Hour of Trouble (1:1–8)

A. Introduction (1:1)

The Shulamite Remembers:

- B. The fervor her beloved had shown toward her (1:1–2)
- C. The fragrance her beloved had shed upon her (1:3–6)
- D. The freedom her beloved had shared with her (1:7–8)

Part 2: An Hour of Temptation (1:9–11)

- A. A word of praise (1:9–10)
- B. A word of promise (1:11)

Part 3: An Hour of Tenderness (1:12–2:7)

- A. Love's bravery (1:12–14)
- B. Love's beauty (1:15–2:2)
- C. Love's bounty (2:3–6)
- D. Love's boundary (2:7)

Part 4: An Hour of Truth (2:8–3:5)

- A. The love of the shepherd (2:8–14)
- B. The love of the Shulamite (2:15–3:5)

Part 5: An Hour of Talk (3:6–11)

- A. The world and its pomp (3:6)
- B. The world and its power (3:7–8)
- C. The world and its prosperity (3:9–10)
- D. The world and its popularity (3:11)

Part 6: An Hour of Togetherness (4:1–5:1)

- A. The personal radiance of the Shulamite (4:1–5)
- B. The passionate response of the Shulamite (4:6)
- C. The pilgrim responsibility of the Shulamite (4:7–15)
- D. The promised rapture of the Shulamite (4:16–5:1)

Part 7: An Hour of Testimony (5:2–6:3)

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- A. The dream of the beloved (5:2–9)
- B. The description of the beloved (5:10–16)
- C. The departure of the beloved (6:1–3)

Part 8: An Hour of Testing (6:4–8:4)

- A. Solomon's flatteries resound (6:4–10)
- B. Solomon's flatteries rebuffed and resumed (6:11–7:9)
- C. The Shulamite's fidelity (7:10–8:4)

Part 9: An Hour of Triumph (8:5–14)

- A. The Shulamite and her beloved (8:5–7)
- B. The Shulamite and her brothers (8:8–12)
- C. The Shulamite and her betrothed (8:13–14)