

The Books of Solomon

Last week we discussed the prophetic poetry concerned with the covenant.
This week we will see Solomon's concern with Wisdom in his poetry.

Video/Lecture Notes:

- These three works are written in the larger context of the epic story of the Bible, especially considering Eden and the fall into sin, and they parallel Solomon's life.
- Proverbs is primarily concerned with men pursuing wisdom, showing a picture of Wisdom as how life was designed to work in creation
- Ecclesiastes was written later and provides reflections on life since the fall of mankind into sin, with all the disappointments that accompany a broken world
- Song of Songs provides a series of love poems that illustrate God's relationship with His people, through which they may find true wisdom and come again into paradise

Discussion

For each of the following readings, how does the passage relate to man's search for wisdom? How does it reflect on Solomon's life? How does it reflect on the Biblical story as a whole?

Proverbs 8

Ecclesiastes 1:12-18

Song of Songs 3:1-5