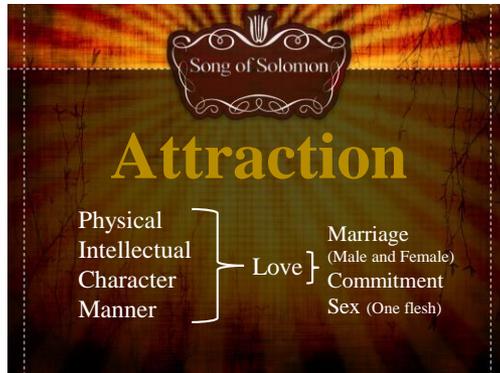
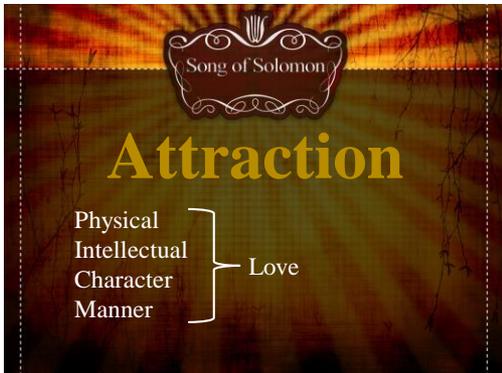
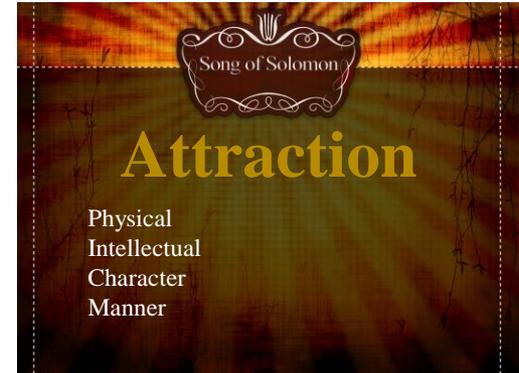




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God then used the rib that he had taken from the Man to make Woman and presented her to the Man.

23 The Man said,
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flesh of my flesh!
Name her Woman
for she was made from Man."

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