

# THE SONG OF SONGS

# “THE BEAUTY”

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— Nancy Pearsey, *Love Thy Body*

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5. Long for the day when you see and admire the beauty which every admiring couple faintly previews.