Springtime Expectation

Song of Solomon paints a beautiful picture of the relationship between the Beloved and His love. It describes how He is coming to call and take His love away, during the springtime - after winter - when the birds are singing again, and while spring is in full bloom.

"I am the rose of Sharon, and the lily of the valleys.

As the lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters.

As the apple tree among the trees of the wood, so is my beloved among the sons.
I sat down under his shadow with great delight, and his fruit was sweet to my taste.

He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love.

Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples: for I am sick of love.

His left hand is under my head, and his right hand doth embrace me.

I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field,
that ye stir not up, nor awake my love, till he please.

The voice of my beloved! behold, he cometh *leaping upon the mountains,*
skipping upon the hills.

My beloved is like a roe or a young hart: behold, ***he standeth behind our wall,***
he looketh forth at the windows, shewing himself through the lattice.

My beloved spake, and said unto me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away.

For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone;

The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come,
and the voice of the turtle **[dove]** ***is heard in our land;***

The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape
give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

O my dove, that art in the clefts of the rock, in the secret places of the stairs, let me see thy
countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet is thy voice, and thy countenance is comely.

Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes.

My beloved is mine, and I am his: *he feedeth among the lilies.*

Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved,
and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether."

- Song of Solomon 2:1-17

By itself, this passage is not prophetic; but, when we consider the watch times that our Beloved (Jesus Christ) told us about, this picture does match the morning / spring time of the year.