

CHAPEL

Song of Solomon

Lasting Love

"Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth for your love is more delightful than wine. Pleasing is the fragrance of your perfumes; your name is like perfume poured out. No wonder the young women love you!" Song of Solomon 1:1-3

"How beautiful your sandaled feet, O prince's daughter! Your graceful legs are like jewels, the work of an artist's hands." Song of Solomon 7:1

"Come, my beloved, let us go to the countryside, let us spend the night in the villages. Let us go early to the vineyards to see if the vines have budded, if their blossoms have opened and if the pomegranates are in bloom— there I will give you my love." Song of Solomon 7:11,12

"Place me like a seal over your heart, like a seal on your arm; for love is as strong as death, its jealousy unyielding as the grave. It burns like blazing fire, like a mighty flame." Song of Solomon 8:6

1. Lasting love is radical

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13

I'm willing to stand beside you during this difficult time while we figure this out together.

"Many waters cannot quench love; rivers cannot wash it away. If one were to give all the wealth of his house for love, it would be utterly scorned." Song of Solomon 8:7

2. Lasting love is relational

"So he got up from the table, took off his robe, wrapped a towel around his waist, and poured water into a basin. Then he began to wash the disciples' feet, drying them with the towel he had around him." John 13:4,5

For relationships to work, it takes work.

"It's not the lack of love, but the lack of friendship that makes unhappy marriages."

3. Lasting love is responsible

“And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.” Philippians 1:6

People don't fall out of love, they fall out of focus.

Takeaways:

- Love is a choice we make every day.

“And above all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”
Colossians 3:14

- Being loved gives capacity to love.

“We love because he first loved us.” 1 John 4:19