

Title: A Marriage with God: He Claimed Me

Sermon Summary: This sermon explores the profound love relationship between believers and God, using the Song of Solomon as a framework to illustrate the earnest seeking and deep devotion that should characterize our walk with the Lord. The preacher emphasizes that just as the Shunammite woman desperately sought her beloved, we must pursue God with even greater passion and commitment. God's love is described through multiple

biblical attributes—He is loving, merciful, kind, faithful, compassionate, and our refuge. The message challenges listeners to prioritize their relationship with God above all earthly relationships and possessions, reminding them that God's love is unconditional, transformative, and eternal. The sermon calls for a personal decision to live not for oneself but for God, trusting in His provision, healing, and guidance through all of life's circumstances.

Key Points:

- God's love for us is greater than any human love we can experience or comprehend
- We should seek God with the same earnestness that the Shunammite woman sought her beloved in Song of Solomon
- God has multiple attributes that define His character: loving, glorious, merciful, good, kind, compassionate, faithful, our rock, our refuge
- God is "I Am That I Am"—everything we need Him to be in every situation

- A true relationship with God requires personal intimacy, not just Sunday service attendance
- God qualifies and equips us before sending us out to accomplish His purposes
- We must prioritize God over jobs, possessions, and even good opportunities that conflict with our worship
- Faith requires stepping out on nothing and landing on God's Word
- God orchestrates circumstances in our lives and makes ways where there seem to be none
- The choice is ours: to exist or to live, to please ourselves or to please God
- Paying tithes is not optional—withholding them makes us robbers of what belongs to God
- God's grace and mercy are always available, regardless of our past or present struggles

Scripture Reference:

- Song of Solomon 3:1-4 (primary text)
- John 3:16

- 1 John 4:26
- Exodus 34:6
- Isaiah 55:7
- Psalms 105
- Romans 2:4
- Psalms 145:9
- Deuteronomy 7:9
- Deuteronomy 24:4
- Psalms 9:9
- Exodus 3:14
- Isaiah 64:8
- John 14:6
- Mark 9:17
- John 3:2
- Psalms 119:103
- Psalms 19:10
- Jeremiah 32:27
- Revelations 22:13