

Love Song Trouble in Paradise

Sermon Notes

Big Idea: Everybody enjoys a good love song... but do the lyrics ever truly come alive? God's Word redefines attraction, dating, intimacy, conflict, depth, and faithfulness. With Jesus at the center, as we trust His leading, our relationships can work. It's time to trust God's lyrics for your Love Song.

Do you trust that God's ways are right, good and better?

The Bottom Line is - ALL couples fight!

Song of Solomon 5:2-3 (NIV)

THE ROOT CAUSES OF CONFLICT:

- 1) Unmet **EXPECTATIONS**.
- 2) Self-CENTEREDNESS.

Song of Solomon 5:4-6; 10-16 (NIV)

TO RESOLVE CONFLICT:

- 1) I will ACT, not REACT
- **2)** I will focus on the **GOOD**, not the **BAD**.
- 3) I will **TALK**, not **WALK**.

Song of Solomon 6:2-3; 4; 9; 11 (NIV)

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- **2)** What issue most easily turns into a fight for you? On a scale of 1-10 with 10 being the highest, how important is it for you to "win" in conflict?
- **3)** What is one thing that you can do that will begin to put you and your spouse on the same team? What does it mean to you to fight together for your marriage?
- **4)** Describe someone who is really good at reconciling differences. What are some changes you can make to become better?
- 5) What will you do this week to restore a relationship damaged by fighting?