

Title: Cultivating A Lifelong Love

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Scripture: [Song of Solomon 8:5-14](#)

Love Renewed in Lebanon

A Relative

⁵ Who *is* this coming up from the wilderness,
Leaning upon her beloved?
I awakened you under the apple tree.
There your mother brought you forth;
There she *who* bore you brought *you* forth.

The Shulamite to Her Beloved

⁶ Set me as a seal upon your heart,
As a seal upon your arm;
For love *is as* strong as death,
Jealousy *as* [ⓐ]cruel as [ⓑ]the grave;
Its flames *are* flames of fire,
[ⓐ]A most vehement flame.
⁷ Many waters cannot quench love,
Nor can the floods drown it.
If a man would give for love
All the wealth of his house,
It would be utterly despised.

The Shulamite's Brothers

⁸ We have a little sister,
And she has no breasts.
What shall we do for our sister
In the day when she is spoken for?
⁹ If she *is* a wall,
We will build upon her
A battlement of silver;

And if she *is* a door,
We will enclose her
With boards of cedar.

The Shulamite

¹⁰ I *am* a wall,
And my breasts like towers;
Then I became in his eyes
As one who found peace.
¹¹ Solomon had a vineyard at Baal Hamon;
He leased the vineyard to keepers;
Everyone was to bring for its fruit
A thousand silver *coins*.

(To Solomon)

¹² My own vineyard *is* before me.
You, O Solomon, *may have* a thousand,
And those who tend its fruit two hundred.

The Beloved

¹³ You who dwell in the gardens,
The companions listen for your voice—
Let me hear it!

The Shulamite

¹⁴ Make^d haste, my beloved,
And be like a gazelle
Or a young stag
On the mountains of spices.