

*Marriage Covenant*  
*By David Leach*

*As she came down the aisle, it was clear from the expression on her face that she was having a contraction. In fact she had been having irregular labor pains for two days, and she felt sure her water had broken a couple of hours ago. Though it might have been wise to cancel the wedding and go on to the hospital, she was determined to be married before the baby was born. She wanted to be in covenant with the father, the one she loved, before a new life was brought into the relationship.*

*God, like this pregnant bride, is in the midst of birth pains. God is ready and desires to birth new life into the relationship with the one God loves. First things must come first however. God first asks us to give ourselves without reservation to God to enter into marriage. After that God is ready to bring forth new life into that relationship.*

Revelation 21:2 “And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.”

**Young Adult Group**

**The young adult group will meet at 5:30 pm on Sunday evenings. We will meet at St. Andrews, Cohee Hall. All young adults are welcome! For additional information, please contact Pastor David.**