

GOD'S VALUE FOR MARRIAGE

MARK 10:1-12

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Divorce and pain and suffering are synonymous! The downstream affects can be crippling.

- Mark 10:1** "Across the Jordan" -- Potential trouble with Herod for his adultery.
Mark 10:2 Testing Jesus. Is it lawful to divorce? Cultural perspective.
Matt. 19:3 "For any and every reason?"
Deut. 24:1-2 Divorce if she becomes displeasing to him. A culture of divorce.
Matt. 19:4 Haven't you read? Where do you get your standard to follow?
Matt. 7:24-27 How determined are you to be in control or have it your way?
Are you hearing and doing and building on the rock of Christ?
Deut. 24:1-4 Divorce is "permitted for indecency." Carried by "hard-heartedness."
Gen. 2 God made them male and female for marriage.
Leave -- build a new primary relationship.
Be united; cleave: divine super glue.
Two complimenting and bonding into one.
- Eccles. 4:12** Three cords are very difficult to break.
Gen. 2:18 God designed complimentary oneness in our bonding.
Eph. 5:31-32 Marriage is designed to function as a glorifying picture of the gospel.
- Mark 10:9** God has designed permanence, man should not choose to separate.
Malachi 2:13-16 God hates divorce. There is a God honoring spiritual component of marriage.

Why does God carefully regulate divorce? It is usually a life devastation decision!

Regulations for divorce and remarriage.

- Mark 10:10-12** Divorce and remarriage usually accompanies adultery.
Matt. 19:9 No divorce without "marital unfaithfulness" or it causes adultery.
Divorce is allowed, not recommended.
Eph. 4:32 True repentance - in time -should lead to forgiveness and restoration.
- 1 Cor. 7** If a couple separates without physical unfaithfulness, they should remain unmarried or be reconciled.
- 1 Cor. 7:15** If you're married to an unbeliever, don't seek divorce. If they leave, let them go.
You are no longer bound. God calls us to peace.
- Luke 6:46** "Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?"