

Marriage, Divorce, and Remarriage (Lesson 2)

INTRODUCTION:

1. In lesson #1 we covered some basics.
 - a. We outlined three major objectives for this series of lessons.
 - b. We gave three reasons for why this study is so important.
 - c. We discussed how NOT to settle the issues of divorce and remarriage, followed by a discussion of the one and only proper way to do it.
2. Here in lesson 2, we simply want to expose ourselves to most relevant passages on this subject.

BODY:

- I. We'll make a few comments as we read these passages, but our main goal for now is just to see exactly what the Scriptures say.
 - A. Let's begin in the O.T. Again, we're not under these regulations, but it will still be good to know what they are, and we also need to see those principles we mentioned earlier.
 1. Genesis 2:21-24.
 2. Deuteronomy 24:1-4.
 - a. We will see shortly that this passage does NOT express God's will on divorce; these regulations were intended to give women some protection, and to put some restraints on what had become a common practice due to the hardness of their hearts.
 - b. And some additional restraints are found in the law of Moses...
 3. Deuteronomy 22:13-19.
 4. Deuteronomy 22:28-29.
 5. Leviticus 21:1, 7-8 (instructions to priests regarding marriage)
 6. Leviticus 21:10, 13-15 (instructions to high priests regarding marriage)
 7. Numbers 30:9.
 - a. Contrast her situation with ones described earlier in the chapter. A young woman still in her father's house—her vow could be overruled by her father (vv. 3-5). A married woman—her vow could be overruled by her husband (vv. 6-8).
 8. Ezra 10:1-4, 11-12

9. Proverbs 2:16-17.
10. Isaiah 54:5 (helps us better understand the next two verses in Jeremiah).
11. Jeremiah 3:8, 14.
12. Malachi 2:10-16.

B. New Testament passages

1. Matthew 5:27-32.
2. Matthew 19:3-12.
3. Mark 6:17-18.
 - a. And we may have to do the same thing John the Baptist did here. "It is not lawful for you to have this person as your husband or wife."
4. Mark 10:2-12.
5. Luke 16:16-18.
6. John 4:15-19.
7. Romans 7:1-4.
8. Galatians 5:19-21.
9. 1 Corinthians 5:11.
10. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11.
11. 1 Corinthians 7:10-16, 39.
12. Hebrews 13:4.