



sermon [on the] mount

Living Life in the Kingdom of God

Divorce *Matthew 5:31-32, 19:1-12*

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UNDERSTANDING MARRIAGE

Matthew 19:1-12

1. The ESSENCE of marriage is a _____.
 - The only way to not be controlled by your past, is through _____. And the only way to not be controlled by your future is to make _____.
2. The PURPOSE of marriage is deep _____.
3. If you're married, it is to be your _____ relationship.
 - Marriage founded on Christ has the power to _____ your self-image.

UNDERSTANDING DIVORCE

1. Divorce is an _____.
2. Divorce is _____ for life.
Jeremiah 3:8, 1 Corinthians 7:15-16
3. An unbiblical divorce cannot be the _____.

UNDERSTANDING SINGLENESS

- Singleness must be seen as a _____, or you cannot endure it.
- Singleness can be a _____ or _____ calling.

Matthew 5:31-32

³¹"It has been said, 'Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.'³²But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for marital unfaithfulness, causes her to become an adulteress, and anyone who marries the divorced woman commits adultery."

Matthew 19:1-12

¹When Jesus had finished saying these things, he left Galilee and went into the region of Judea to the other side of the Jordan. ²Large crowds followed him, and he healed them there.

³Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?"

⁴"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' ⁵and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? ⁶So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate."

⁷"Why then," they asked, "did Moses command that a man give his wife a certificate of divorce and send her away?"

⁸Jesus replied, "Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning. ⁹I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for marital unfaithfulness, and marries another woman commits adultery."

¹⁰The disciples said to him, "If this is the situation between a husband and wife, it is better not to marry."

¹¹Jesus replied, "Not everyone can accept this word, but only those to whom it has been given.¹²For some are eunuchs because they were born that way; others were made that way by men; and others have renounced marriage because of the kingdom of heaven. The one who can accept this should accept it."