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# Biblical Teaching: God's Perspective on Marriage



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***“Marriage is the uniting of one man and one woman in covenant commitment for a lifetime.”***

THE BAPTIST FAITH AND MESSAGE 2000



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**“Marriage is a spiritual and legal covenant between two complementary counterparts, through which they are joined by God in a one-flesh union, and commit to pursue and enjoy a conjugal, exclusive, indivisible, lifelong love relationship.”**

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**“It’s a jaw-dropping, mind-blowing concept that God creates a union so deep and complete that the individual parts are supernaturally eclipsed by the greater whole.”**

MARY KASSIAN



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# **Biblical Teaching: God's Perspective on Divorce & Remarriage**



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**You ask, “Why?” It is because the Lord is the witness between you and the wife of your youth. You have been unfaithful to her, though she is your partner, the wife of your marriage covenant.**

**MALACHI 2:14**



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**Has not the One God made you?  
You belong to Him in body and  
spirit. And what does the One God  
seek? Godly offspring. So be on your  
guard, and do not be unfaithful to  
the wife of your youth.**

**MALACHI 2:15**



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**“The man who hates and divorces his wife,” says the Lord, the God of Israel, “does violence to the one he should protect,” says the Lord Almighty. So be on your guard, and do not be unfaithful.**

MALACHI 2:16



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**Some Pharisees came to Him to test Him. They asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?”**

**MATTHEW 19:3**



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**“Haven’t you read,” He replied,  
“that at the beginning the Creator  
‘made them male and female,’**

**MATTHEW 19:4**



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**“and 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’?”**

**MATTHEW 19:5**



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**“So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”**

**MATTHEW 19:6**



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

**MATTHEW 19:7**



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**Jesus replied, “Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning.”**

**MATTHEW 19:8**



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**“I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery.”**

**MATTHEW 19:9**



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**“Divorce is unnatural. It’s like erasing history. It has ripple effects beyond the couple. The Christian sees it is more than a tragedy; it’s a violent mutilation, a ripping asunder of a ‘one-flesh’ entity.”**

JOSH PANOS



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**To the married I give this  
command (not I, but the Lord): A  
wife must not separate from her  
husband.**

1 CORINTHIANS 7:10



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**But if she does, she must remain unmarried or else be reconciled to her husband. And a husband must not divorce his wife.**

1 CORINTHIANS 7:11



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**To the rest I say this (I, not the Lord): If any brother has a wife who is not a believer and she is willing to live with him, he must not divorce her.**

1 CORINTHIANS 7:12



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**And if a woman has a husband who is not a believer and he is willing to live with her, she must not divorce him.**

1 CORINTHIANS 7:13



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**For the unbelieving husband has been sanctified through his wife, and the unbelieving wife has been sanctified through her believing husband. Otherwise your children would be unclean, but as it is, they are holy.**

1 CORINTHIANS 7:14



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**But if the unbeliever leaves, let it be so. The brother or the sister is not bound in such circumstances; God has called us to live in peace.**

1 CORINTHIANS 7:15



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**How do you know, wife, whether  
you will save your husband?  
Or, how do you know, husband,  
whether you will save your wife?**

1 CORINTHIANS 7:16



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*Many Bible-believing Christians  
consider divorce wrong  
except for adultery, abandonment,  
and my situation.*



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# Realities & Needs: Marital Breakdown in a Fallen World



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**“In marriage, only by laying down your weapons can you really find the love you will need to withstand whatever battles lie ahead.”**

RUSSELL MOORE



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# Video: Love Fades - The Problem is You



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**“Divorce is the tragic result of what becomes of humanity as it wrestles with sin and brokenness.”**

GARY BURGE



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**“Whenever a marriage fails, we should mourn it as tragic. But there should be no error so grave that it cannot be forgiven; no mistake beyond the reach of grace.”**

GARY BURGE



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# God's Grace: The Gospel & Redeeming Relationships



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**“Becoming a Christian is about getting a new heart — a soft heart filled with the Holy Spirit. Such a heart is capable of change in the direction of Jesus Christ and is capable of forgiving a brother or a sister of even the most grievous of sins.”**

PAUL CARTER



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**Video: Love Fades - How  
Repentance Transforms Lives**

**or**

**Video: Love Interrupted - Couple  
Testimonial**



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**God is the Master  
at mending broken  
marriages and  
shattered lives.**



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