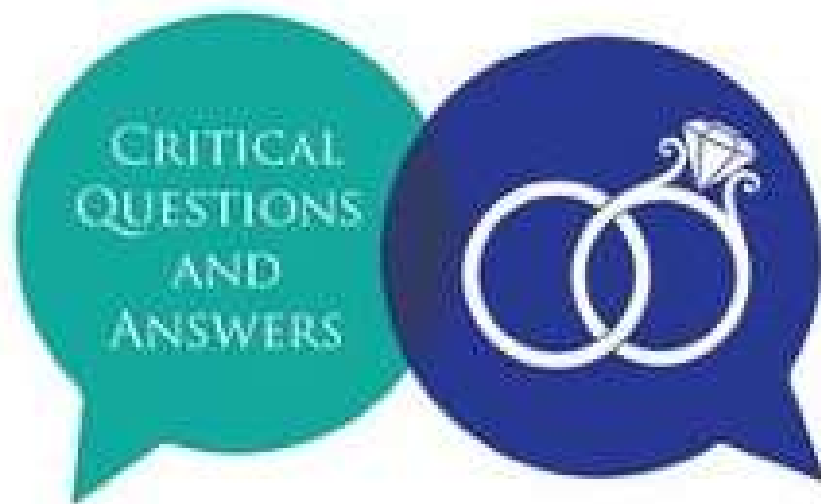


MARRIAGE DIVORCE AND REMARRIAGE



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Marriage, Divorce & Remarriage

Sermon Audio (02/12/12-05/20/12)

- Preliminary Perspectives on Marriage (Pt1)
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- Jesus' Teaching on Divorce
- Paul's Teaching on Divorce
- Divorce and Remarriage: Practical Considerations

- **Passages on Divorce and Remarriage**

- **OT Texts**

- Deut. 24:1-4; Ezra 9:1-4, 13-15; 10:1-17;

- Mal. 2:13-16

- Two other OT text: Ex. 21:7-11; Jer. 3:8

- **NT Texts**

- Matt. 5:31-32; Matt. 19:1-12; Mk. 10:1-12;
Lk.16:18

- 1 Cor. 7:10-16

No Divorce and No Remarriage

(Permanence view)

Proponents:

- Carl Laney
- Jim Elliff
- John Piper

- No Divorce and No Remarriage

- (Permanence view)

- Matthew's exception clause

“Except for *porneia*”

1. Unfaithfulness during the betrothal period

2. Incestuous marriage

No Divorce and No Remarriage (Permanence view)

- **The Teaching of Paul (1 Cor. 7:10-15)**
“The Pauline Privilege”
- A married person should never divorce, but if they do divorce or are divorced by their spouse, they must remain single or reconcile.
- Remarriage is forbidden, except in the case of the death of a spouse.

- **Divorce and remarriage for adultery and abandonment**

Proponents:

- WCF
- Majority Protestant view
- John Murray
- Jay Adams

- **Divorce and remarriage for adultery and abandonment**

Matthew's exception clause

Porneia most naturally refers to adultery.

Clause applies to both divorce and remarriage.

Unfaithfulness does not constitute divorce anymore than premarital sex constitutes marriage, but it does provide acceptable grounds.

- **Divorce and remarriage for adultery and abandonment**
- Paul's teaching in 1 Cor. 7:10-16
- To be no longer bound due to desertion by an unbelieving spouse frees a person to remarry.

- **Divorce and remarriage for adultery, desertion and abuse**

Proponents

Craig Keener

David Instone-Brewer

Arguments

Trajectory argument (Keener)

Broken covenant argument (Instone-Brewer)

- **Divorce and Remarriage Under a Variety of Circumstances**
(Proponent: Larry Richards)

God does not actually permit divorce or remarriage, but divorce is permitted when the hardness of someone's heart distorts the marriage covenant beyond repair.

Matthew's exception clause

- **Divorce and Remarriage Under a Variety of Circumstances**
- Only married people can decide when to divorce, the church needs to stay out of it.
- Remarriage is permissible when reconciliation is no longer a reasonable expectation
- “We must check the harmony of our conclusions against Scripture’s most basic context, that of the grace of our God”

