God's Plan For Marriage

[1] When Jesus had finished these words, He departed from Galilee and came into the region of Judea beyond the Jordan; [2] and large crowds followed Him, and He healed them there. [3] Some Pharisees came to Jesus, testing Him and asking, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any reason at all?" [4] And He answered and said, "Have you not read that He who created them from the beginning MADE THEM MALE AND FEMALE, [5] and said, 'FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH'? [6] So they are no longer two, but one flesh. What therefore God has joined together, let no man separate."

[7] They said to Him, "Why then did Moses command to GIVE HER A CERTIFICATE OF DIVORCE AND SEND her AWAY?" [8] He said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart Moses permitted you to divorce your wives; but from the beginning it has not been this way. [9] And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery." [10] The disciples said to Him, "If the relationship of the man with his wife is like this, it is better not to marry." Matt 19:1-10

1. **Marriage is a** Covenant **. (Mal. 2:13-14)**

2. **All divorce is** Sin **. (vs. 8 & Mal. 2:16-17)**

3. **People usually** Do **what they** Want **to do. (vs. 3)**

4. **Marriage is God's** Idea **and His** Design **. (vs. 4-6)**

5. **Marriage is a** Lifelong **relationship** Sealed **by God Himself. (vs. 6)**

6. **They totally** Disregarded **Christ's words. (vs. 7)**

7. **A difficult balance:**

   * **Divorce is** Sin **.**

   * **Divorce is not the** Unpardonable **sin.**