

Principles for Marriage

Deut 17; p. 146 in the OT

1. You are to have only one _____ to build a oneness in spirit, soul, and body: the one with your spouse (Dt. 17:17; 21:15)

Jesus' commentary (Mark 10:5-9)

Passages like Dt 21:15 are a result of the hardness of men's heart (Mark 10:5-9)

God designed marriage as _____ becoming one (10:8)

The two shall be joined together until _____ parts them (10:9; the principle also appears in Deut 25:5)

Hindrances to God's Ideal

_____ (Dt 5:21)

Jesus' commentary (Matt. 5:27-28)

Betrothal unfaithfulness: grounds for stoning (Dt 22:20-21)

NT illustration (Matt 1:18-19)

Adultery: grounds for stoning (Dt 22:20-21)

Jesus' commentary (John 8 10-11)

Adultery during betrothal: grounds for stoning (Dt 22:23-24)

2. You are to fulfill your _____ (Deut. 23:21-23)

A hindrance to God's Ideal: _____

3. Remarriage to a former spouse who has since remarried another person is _____ allowed (Dt 24:1-4)

A hindrance to God's Ideal: unfortunate translations

Commentary from Jesus (Mark 10:2-9)

4. Take a _____ long "honeymoon" from duties away from home (Dt 24:5; 20:1,7)

Conclusions and Applications

1. God designed marriages to be enjoyable and to last until death separates them.
2. When people get involved, marriages can get _____ up.
3. When marriages break, God desires for them to be _____ as far as possible scripturally.
4. When couples from broken marriages humble themselves and follow God's instructions, the life-long _____ become testimonies of God's greatness.
5. Commit to being a one-woman man or a one-man woman
6. Today would be a great day to recommit your _____.