

1 Corinthians 7 (2-20-11)

THE DIVORCE DELUSION

TEXT: 1 Corinthians 7:10 And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband:

11 But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife.

39 The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord.

1 Corinthians 9:21 To them that are without law, as without law, (**being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,**) that I might gain them that are without law.

Mark 10:11 And he saith unto them, Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her.

12 And **if a woman** shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.

Matthew 5:32 But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, **saving for the cause of fornication**, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

- In the last 20 years, divorce statistics have skyrocketed.
- Although 82% of all married couples will reach their fifth wedding anniversary, only 52% will celebrate 15 years of marriage.
- 50 per cent of the marriages in the US end in divorce within the first 15 months. This figure is higher in Southern California. It is as high as 75 %.
- There are no national anti-divorce movements like those for anti-abortion, etc.
- The divorce rate of remarriages is in fact higher than that of first marriages. 65% of all second marriages fail.
- **Two-thirds to three-fourths of the divorces are initiated by women and not men.** 65% of divorces are initiated by women.

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1 Corinthians 15:33 Be not deceived: evil communications **corrupt** good manners.

2 Timothy 2:16 But shun **profane and vain babblings**: for they will **increase unto more ungodliness.**

17 And their word will **eat as doth a canker...**

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2 Timothy 3:6 For of this sort are they which **creep into houses**, and lead captive **silly women** laden with sins, **led away with divers lusts**,

Titus 2:3 The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;

4 That they may **teach** the **young** women to be sober, **to love their husbands**, to love their children,

5 To be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.

Colossians 3:2 **Set your affection** on things above, not on things on the earth.

11 But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife.

Habakkuk 2:5 Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, he is a proud man, **neither keepeth at home**, who enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death, and cannot be satisfied...