

Marriage and Family v2

Lesson 4
Husbands

Marriage Divorce and Remarriage

1. God intends marriage to last until death
2. God joins a man and a woman together in His lawful marriage until death
3. God witnesses the marriage covenant and binds the two to His marriage law until death
4. Four important questions
5. Jesus' law on marriage, divorce and remarriage

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Jesus' law on marriage, divorce and remarriage

1. God's remarriage restrictions in effect until the lawful spouse dies
2. Jesus says the only authorized reason for divorcing a lawful spouse is fornication
3. If divorce not for fornication occurs, then remarriage of either spouse is adultery

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Jesus' law on marriage, divorce and remarriage

4. All unlawful (adulterous) marriages must be ended but financial obligations may continue
5. Those divorced from a lawful spouse not for fornication must remain unmarried or be reconciled

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Introduction

- Governments, schools, religious groups and societies have continued to redefine marriage, family structure and family roles to their own destruction
- For Christians, although these are challenging times, it has always been this way to some degree
- And, we must always go back to what God has said, learn, apply and teach His Word to our families and to all, to His glory

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Introduction

- We must recognize God is the creator of humanity, marriage and family
- He is the one who is the only moral authority governing marriage and family
- If we trust God to forgive our sins through Jesus, we should trust Him in family relationships
- We focus on husbands, whom the world ridicules and disregards

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God created man and woman to complement one another

Gen 2:18 Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him."

Gen 2:21 So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then He took one of his ribs and closed up the flesh at that place.

Gen 2:22 The LORD God fashioned into a woman the rib which He had taken from the man, and brought her to the man.

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God created man and woman to complement one another

Gen 2:23 The man said, "This is now bone of my bones, And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man."

Gen 2:24 For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.

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The head of his wife

- Contrary to human wisdom, God declares the husband to be the head of his wife
- The husband's headship is based on Divine authority
- Headship implies assuming responsibility for lovingly leading his family
- Husbands that do not exercise loving headship are disobeying God
- More about the type of love the husband must have for his wife in our next point

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The head of his wife

Eph 5:22 Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord.

Eph 5:23 For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body.

Eph 5:24 But as the church is subject to Christ, so also the wives ought to be to their husbands in everything.

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Husband's headship based on Divine authority

1Co 11:3 But I want you to understand that Christ is the head of every man, and the man is the head of a woman, and God is the head of Christ.

1Ti 2:11 A woman must quietly receive instruction with entire submissiveness.

1Ti 2:12 But I do not allow a woman to teach or exercise authority over a man, but to remain quiet.

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Husband's headship based on Divine authority

1Ti 2:13 For it was Adam who was first created, *and* then Eve.

1Ti 2:14 And *it was* not Adam *who* was deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.

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Love his wife

- Headship must be loving and sacrificial, doing what is best for wife and family
- Love is a command not a helpless feeling
- The husband must continually develop and nurture love for his wife
- This daily love is based on how Christ has sacrificed for His church
- This love is also based on how the husband loves his own body
- This love is unselfish

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Love his wife

Col 3:19 Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them.

Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her,

Eph 5:26 so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,

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Love his wife

Eph 5:27 that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless.

Eph 5:28 So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself;

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Love his wife

Eph 5:29 for no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ also *does* the church,

Eph 5:30 because we are members of His body.

Eph 5:31 FOR THIS REASON A MAN SHALL LEAVE HIS FATHER AND MOTHER AND SHALL BE JOINED TO HIS WIFE, AND THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH.

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Love his wife

Eph 5:32 This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.

Eph 5:33 Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must see to it that she respects her husband.

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Love his wife

1Jn 4:19 We love, because He first loved us.

1Co 13:4 Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant,

1Co 13:5 does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered,

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Love his wife

1Co 13:6 does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;
1Co 13:7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

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Love His Wife

1Co 7:1 Now concerning the things about which you wrote, it is good for a man not to touch a woman.

1Co 7:2 But because of immoralities, each man is to have his own wife, and each woman is to have her own husband.

1Co 7:3 The husband must fulfill his duty to his wife, and likewise also the wife to her husband.

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Love his wife

1Co 7:4 The wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does; and likewise also the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does.

1Co 7:5 Stop depriving one another, except by agreement for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer, and come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control.

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Honor his wife

- Recognize that women are different than men in their emotional needs
- Recognize she should be praised for her submissive and loving role as your wife
- Recognize her as a spiritual equal
- Weaker does not refer to inferior
- If the husband mistreats his wife, his prayers will be hindered

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Honor his wife

1Pe 3:7 You husbands in the same way, live with *your wives* in an understanding way, as with someone weaker, since she is a woman; and show her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.

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Honor his wife

Pro 31:28 Her children rise up and bless her; Her husband also, and he praises her, saying:

Pro 31:29 "Many daughters have done nobly, But you excel them all."

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Honor his wife

Pro 31:30 Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, But a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised.

Pro 31:31 Give her the product of her hands, And let her works praise her in the gates.

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Honor his wife

Mat 7:11 "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him!

Mat 7:12 "In everything, therefore, treat people the same way you want them to treat you, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

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Provide for his wife and family

- The husband is to financially provide for his wife and family
- This takes preparation and dedication
- Many men marry without preparing to support their families
- Some men pursue riches abandoning other family duties
- It is not wrong for a wife to contribute financially if done without neglecting managing the home and caring for children

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Provide for his wife and family

1Ti 5:8 But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

2Th 3:10 For even when we were with you, we used to give you this order: if anyone is not willing to work, then he is not to eat, either.

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Provide for his wife and family

Eph 4:28 He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have *something* to share with one who has need.

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Provide for his wife and family

1Ti 6:6 But godliness *actually* is a means of great gain when accompanied by contentment.

1Ti 6:7 For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either.

1Ti 6:8 If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content.

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Provide for his wife and family

1Ti 6:9 But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction.

1Ti 6:10 For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

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Provide for his wife and family

1Ti 6:11 But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance *and* gentleness.

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Love teach and discipline his children

- Much more on this point in our lesson on parents
- But, here we note the husband who is a father is to take the lead in teaching and disciplining his children
- He is to lead them by loving example with consistent teaching of God's Word
- When needed, he provides negative consequences for their disobedience

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Love teach and discipline his children

Eph 6:4 Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Col 3:21 Fathers, do not exasperate your children, so that they will not lose heart.

Pro 13:24 He who withholds his rod hates his son, But he who loves him disciplines him diligently.

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