

What is Marriage What Moses Said about divorce and Marriage. all my life I thought that what Moses said about divorce and remarriage was the opposite of what Jesus taught. And this was a sadness in my spirit. But when I looked at what Moses said I realized Jesus and He agree a lot more than I thought.

What the Pharisees are referring to in Matthew and Mark about Moses allowing divorce is Deuteronomy 24:1-4 When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favor in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house. 2 And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife. 3 And if the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and gives it in her hand, and sends her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which took her to be his wife; 4 Her former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that is abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God gives thee for an inheritance.

All the rest of scripture teaches that marriage is until death. But this passage must be talking about something different because it says even if the second man dies the first man is not to take her to be his wife. Bible references given in ("BIBLICAL CONCEPTS OF MARRIAGE" in marriage paper <http://whatismarriagetonywpiano.weebly.com/biblical-concepts-of-marriage.html>)

All the rest of scripture also teaches that to marry a divorced woman who's husband is still alive is adultery. But this passage says this woman is free to go and marry while the first man is still alive.

So to interpret this passage as God saying it's ok to marry a divorced woman, who's husband is still alive, makes God to be saying two opposite things. This makes God out to be a liar. We know God cannot lie and will not go against his word. **Therefore it makes much more sense to read this passage with the understanding that it is talking about the first husband as only engaged or betrothed and not married until death.** Just like Joseph and Mary in Matthew 1:18 – 23, Joseph was going to divorce Mary even though he was not married to her yet . Moses gives an example in Deuteronomy 22:13 of marriage then sex equals marriage-till-death, where a husband claims his wife was not a virgin. If he is lying he pays a fine. But if she was not a virgin she gets killed not divorced. And in Deuteronomy 22:28 we find another example of marriage-till-death, where a man has sex with a virgin, which is not betrothed and is required to marry her. **Now this is sex then marriage. Here there is no betrothal period and no divorce allowed.**

We are also not told what defiled the woman in Deuteronomy 24:4. It could be the publicly declared uncleanness that this man claimed in order to say she was not fit to have as a wife. So in making this quote "Godly" claim he put this quote "unclean" woman away. In acting on this "Godly" claim and receiving the benefits of it (he was allowed to put her away). To later say it is now Godly to do the exact opposite and take this unclean woman as a wife, makes God out to be a liar. Now that is an abomination.

Luke 16:18 JESUS Says "Whosoever puts away his wife, **and** marries another, commits adultery: and whosoever marries her that is put away from her husband commits adultery".

Does God forgive if you are already in a Divorced remarriage type of relationship not Knowing it was sin?

The Question you seem to be asking is : Is it ok to stay in this marriage that God calls Adultery?

I do not know of even one example of God blessing something he calls sin.

8. What is GOD's PICTURE of adultery and divorce in marriage revealed in the old

testament.

GOD used what was true about marriage to tell about his relationship with his people.

(Return to First Husband? Others say NO, But God Says YES.)

Jeremiah 3: 1,6-8,12-15 **They Say**, If a man put away his wife, and **she go from him, and become another man's, shall he return unto her again?** Shall not that land be greatly polluted?

The Lord Says, but you have played the harlot with many lovers; **yet return again to me.**
(6) The Lord said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Have you seen that which backsliding Israel has done? She is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there has played the harlot.

(7) And I Said **after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me.** But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw it. And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery **I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce;** yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also.

(12) Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, **Return, thou backsliding Israel,** says the Lord; and I will not cause my anger to fall upon you: **for I am merciful,** says the Lord, and I will not keep anger forever. **Only acknowledge your iniquity,** that you have transgressed against the Lord thy God, and have scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and you have not obeyed my voice, says the Lord.

Turn, O backsliding children, says the Lord; **for I am married** (is husband of [Strong's # o.t.1166]) **unto you;** and I will take you one from the city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion: And I will give you pastors according to my heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

How can He still be married after putting away and giving a bill of divorcement?

He is married because divorce does NOT dissolve the marriage. Let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

Yet (in spite of the fact that you divorced her, still) **she is your companion,** and the wife of your covenant. Malachi 2: 14-16

(marriage is not dissolved by divorce).

Its no wonder people do not know what to believe with the way the Alexandrian (**Egyptian**) translations change the context of scripture in this chapter of **Jeremiah 3**
Although Most of the Alexandrian translations do not go so far as to put "**The Lord says**" at the first of verse one, they infer that it is the Lord commanding, because of "the Lord says" at the end of the verse. By removing "**They say**" from the first of the verse that would let someone know that part of what is said here is by someone other than God.

Also the Alexandrian translations add "**you want to**" to "**return to me**" in verse one. Then in verse 7 they change the word "**I said**" to "**I thought**" and added "**she will**" to "**return to me**". But God repeats the command to RETURN 3 more times in verses 12, 14, & 20-22. In these 3 verses all the Alexandrian translations say return.

What is the problem? Can't God make up his mind? Is a Wife to return to her 1st husband or not?

Then one more thing here the Alexandrian translations change "married" meaning (husband), and meaning something more in line with marriage that this passage is talking about But, They change it to "master" A word having a much wider meaning and less to do with marriage. And even though he divorced Israel in verse 8 (Even in all the Alexandrian translations) Then in verse 14 he says he is husband to Israel but you can't see that with the Alexandrian translations changing "married" to "master"

Look at these **examples of Alexandrian translations**

Jeremiah 3 The **LORD** says, “If a man divorces his wife, and she leaves him and becomes another man’s wife, he cannot take her back again. This would completely defile the land. But, Israel, you have had many lovers, and now you want to return to me! (**Good News Bible**)

⁷ And I thought, after she has done all this she will return to me. But she did not return.

¹² Go, proclaim these words toward the north, and say: **Return**, rebel Israel, says the LORD,

¹⁴ **Return**, rebellious children, says the LORD, for I am your **Master**;

²⁰ But like a woman faithless to her lover, even so have you been faithless to me, O house of Israel, says the LORD.

²¹ A cry is heard on the heights! the plaintive weeping of Israel’s children, Because they have perverted their ways and forgotten the LORD, their God.

²² **Return**, rebellious children, and I will cure you of your rebelling. **Jeremiah 3 (New American Bible)**

And they do the same thing with Malachi 2: 14-16. IS it any wonder people do not know what to believe?

Here are 5 more verses, everything underlined is not in Alexandrian based bibles. Do these verses say the same things without the underlined part? The words in **red** are words Jesus said, OR did he say them or not???

Lk4:4...**It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone,** (and deleted is) **but by every word of God**

Mark 10:24 ...**Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!**

Matthew 5:44 **But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you**

LK 9:56 **For the Son of man is not come to destroy men’s lives, but to save them.**

And they went to another village.

Acts 8:**37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.** (Whole verse gone)

How are we to live?

9 Is GOD's PICTURE OF MARRIAGE revealed in the New Testament

{Not same for man as for woman}

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| <p>Husband is the head of Wife (Eph.5:23) Husband is to love his wife (Eph.5:25) Husband is to die to self for his wife (Eph.5:25) Husband is to sanctify his wife ... by the word (Eph.5:25) Husband is to cleanse his wife ... by the word (Eph.5:25) Husband is to wash wife to present her to himself glorious Husband is to wash wife to present her to himself without spot Husband is to wash wife to present her to himself without wrinkle Husband is to wash wife to present her to himself without blemish Husband is to wash wife to present her to himself as holy Eph.5:29 Husband is to nourish his wife (Eph.5:29)</p> | <p>Husband is to cherish his wife (Eph.5:29) Husband is to love his wife as his own body (Eph.5:28) Husband that loves his wife loves himself (Eph.5:28) Husband is to honor his wife as the weaker vessel Husband is to honor his wife as being heirs together of the grace of life (1Peter 3:7) Husband that puts away his wife... causes her to commit adultery (Matthew 5:32) Husband who puts away <u>his</u> wife, and marries another, commits adultery (Luke 16:18)</p> |
| <p>Wife is to be subject to husband in every thing (Eph.5:24) Wife is to reverence her husband (Eph.5:33) Wife is to win her husband without a word (1 Peter 3:1) Wife is to win her husband by her Godly conduct (1 Peter 3:2) Wife is not to be mostly concerned about outward appearance Wife is to be mostly concerned with matters of the heart (1Pet3:3) Wife is to be concerned with a meek spirit (1 Peter 3:4) Wife is to be concerned with a quite spirit (1 Peter 3:4) Wife is Sarah’s daughter if she does good (1 Peter 3:5) Wife is bound by the law as long as her husband lives (1Cor. 7:31)</p> | |

Ephesians 5: 6,8,17,21-29,33 Let no man deceive you with Vain words: for because of these things comes the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. (8) For you were sometimes darkness, but now you are light in the Lord: walk as children of light (17) Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is (21) Submitting yourselves one to

another in the fear of God.

(22) **Wives**, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, **as unto the Lord**. (23) For the husband is the head of the Wife, **even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the savior of the body**. (24) **Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ**, so let the wife be to her own husband in every thing.

(25) **Husbands**, love your wives, **even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it** (He died for an imperfect and sinful church so he might wash it and make it perfect); **that he might sanctify and cleanse it (her) with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it (her) to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it (she) should be holy and without blemish**. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loves his wife loves himself. (29) For no man ever hated his own flesh; But nourishes and cherishes his own flesh, **even as the Lord the church**: (33) Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as he loves himself; and the Wife see that she reverence her husband.

1Peter 3: 1-7 Let each wife be subject to her own husband...with a meek and quiet spirit. Husbands...give honor unto your wife. . . **that your prayers be not hindered**.

We need to BE like Christ Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, ... made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant...Philippians 2:5-7

Marriage is HOLY. Adultery is SIN.

That which is SIN can NOT become that which is HOLY. Woe to them that call Evil good, and GOOD evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness Isaiah 5:20. In the Romans.6:16 passage it says, Don't you know that you are the servant to whom you obey? Serve sin for death or obey for life.

MARRIAGE IS an until death of the other commitment between a man and a woman (with no living husband) to be husband and wife. God created marriage. Marriage is holy and righteous. God encourages marriage. Marriage is not adultery.

Divorce does NOT dissolve a Marriage. Divorce only calls off a marriage that never came to be (like Joseph was thinking of with Mary), or Divorce after marriage is only a separation between husband and wife (like "**whosoever shall marry her that is divorced commits adultery**"), and the reason it is adultery is because divorce does Not Dissolve a marriage. Only death ends a marriage.

Adultery is not marriage. Adultery is sin and is forbidden by God. What God calls adultery can NOT somehow become marriage.

This is the **love** of God, that we **keep** his commandments.
: and his commandments are not grievous.

We can not save anyone by going to hell for them or with them.

Hosea 4: 6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because you have rejected knowledge, I will also reject you, that you shall be no priest to me: seeing **you have forgotten the law of God**. I will also forget your children.

Yes, GOD does forgive All sin for which we STOP the sin and ask forgiveness for and return that which does not belong to us.

Yes, GOD does forgive adultery if we stop the adultery and ask for forgiveness. God in his mercy gives us His words of life and light that we might live and not die. He calls us to be his peculiar (treasured) people.

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