

Intro: What Does God Say About Marriage? – Hebrews 13:4 . . .

God established marriage - Genesis 2:18-25

Marriage is the standard - Exodus 20:14 (Thou shalt not commit adultery)

Jesus on marriage - Matthew 19:1-9

I. Understanding the Marriage Covenant

Genesis 2:23-24 – “leave and cleave” to your wife: covenant relationship.

Psalms 105:6-10; 111:4-5 – (covenant illustrated)

Malachi 2:11-16

Hebrews 13:20-21 (everlasting covenant)

*Marriage is built upon the integrity of your word. Marriage is an agreement you make between one another. The marriage covenant is a bond meant to hold you together “til death do you part.”

II. Marriage is the standard for Believers:

1 Corinthians 7:1-5

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8

Ephesians 5:1-6

Hebrews 13:4

1 Timothy 3:1-7 – Pastor to be the husband of one wife: no polygamy; no living together with no covenant; abstain from immorality.

III. The Husband-Wife Relationship

1 Corinthians 13:1-8a

Ephesians 5:17-33

Ephesians 6:1-4 (Raising children as a team: get in agreement/united front)