

Christ, Culture, & The Cross

Two Key Implications

1) _____ You're _____ ... _____ It _____.

⇒ _____ A _____.

There may be nothing more important in a marriage than the determination that it shall persist. With such a determination, individuals force themselves to adjust and to accept situations which would seem sufficient grounds for a breakup, if continuation of the marriage were not the prime objective.

(Drs. Les & Leslie Parrott, *Saving Your Marriage Before It Starts*, p. 49)

⇒ _____ ... _____.

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus. (Philippians 2:3-5)

2) _____ You're _____ & _____ ...

_____ and _____.

1 Corinthians 7:13-16

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Jesus, Marriage & Divorce

1 Corinthians 7:8-16

The Danger

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The Letter of 1 Corinthians



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⇒ _____ You're _____ ...

_____ Your _____.

1 Corinthians 7:10-11/Matthew 19:1-9/Mark 10:1-12/Matthew 5:31-32

If a man marries a woman who becomes displeasing to him because he finds something indecent about her, and he writes her a certificate of divorce, gives it to her and sends her from his house, and if after she leaves his house she becomes the wife of another man, and her second husband dislikes her and writes her a certificate of divorce, gives it to her and sends her from his house, or if he dies, then her first husband, who divorced her, is not allowed to marry her again after she has been defiled. (Deuteronomy 24:1-4)

Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?"

"Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

"Why then," they asked, "did Moses command that a man give his wife a certificate of divorce and send her away?" Jesus replied, "Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning.

I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery."

(Matthew 19:3-9)