


**The Permanent Relationship**  
Mark 10:6-9



**What is marriage?**  
Marriage is a covenant to live together, love each other, be faithful to each other and protect each other.




**Permanent Relationship**  
God hates dishonoring a marriage covenant because a husband and wife are one flesh (Matt. 19:9)

**Divorce**  
God will not listen to the prayers of a husband who has broken covenant with his wife. (Mal. 2:13-14)




**Marriage**

1. It is better to marry because that will avoid immorality (I Cor. 7:2)
2. An unmarried state is not considered to be holier than marriage (I Cor. 7:1)



**Divorce?**  
A wife should not separate from her husband (1 Cor. 7:10)  
A husband should not divorce his wife (1 Cor. 7:11)



**Responsibilities  
of Wives**

- 1. Submit to your husbands  
(Eph. 5:22)**
- 2. Respect your husbands  
(Eph. 5:33)**



**Responsibilities  
of husbands**

**Husbands must love their wives as Christ loved the church  
(Eph. 5:25)**



**Divorce is permitted.....**

- 1. If there is unfaithfulness  
(Matt. 19:9)**
- 2. When the unbelieving partner abandons or divorces a believer  
(1 Cor. 7:15)**



**How can a couple keep love & peace in their marriage?**

- 1. Practice forgiveness**
- 2. Trust each other**
- 3. Pray together**

