

Divorce and Remarriage: What Did Jesus Say?

(Pastor John Brackbill/Matthew 19:3-12/6.8.14)

1:15 pm Sunday School

The Pharisees ask Jesus a question about divorce (3)

- They were _____ Jesus
- They were asking a question that was a _____ topic of the day

Jesus answers their question about divorce (4-6)

- He answers by pointing out who the _____ is on this question
- He answers by quoting Genesis _____
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- He highlights the central point of Genesis 2:24 that must be dealt with in relationship to divorce: _____
- He draws a conclusion regarding divorce based upon these foundational Scriptures: "What God has _____ together, let no man _____."

The Pharisees raise an objection to the answer Jesus gave to their question about divorce and in so doing reveal their wrong understanding of _____ (7)

Jesus answers their objection to His answer about divorce (8-9)

- By pointing out that divorce was _____ but _____ because of hardness of heart in the people of Israel (8a)
- By pointing out that Moses permitting divorce did not _____ for the institution of marriage as revealed in Genesis (8b)

- By declaring that divorce and remarriage results in _____ (9)

- By inserting _____ (9)

Six reasons for understanding the exception cause as referring to _____

- It fits the usage of the word porneia in _____
- It fits with the fact that Jesus has explicitly said that divorce is _____ to those who thought it was allowable at least in the _____.
- It fits with the context of the book of Matthew which _____ and the possibility for divorce in it.
- It allows us to read the other gospels without _____ an exception from Matthew that they do not record (Mark 10:11-12; Luke 16:18)
- It allows the illustration that Paul gives about the law to stand without _____ as well (Romans 7:1-3)
- It fits seamlessly with _____ of what Jesus taught regarding divorce and remarriage (1 Corinthians 7:10-11)

The disciple's _____ to Jesus' teaching on divorce and remarriage reveals that it was _____ the prevailing views of that day (10-12)