

## Series: Marriage, Divorce, and Remarriage: A Closer Look at What the Bible Really Tells Us Session 2 – A Biblical View of Divorce – Part 1

### Review of Marriage

1. Marriage is an institution devised by God.
2. Marriage also establishes the family unit as the basis for all society.
3. The primary focus of marriage is Companionship.

### A Biblical Attitude Toward Divorce

**Malachi 2:16** - *"For I hate divorce," says the Lord, the God of Israel, "and him who covers his garment with wrong," says the Lord of hosts. "So take heed to your spirit, that you do not deal treacherously."*

**Jeremiah 3:8** – *"And I saw that for all the adulteries of faithless Israel, I had sent her away and given her a writ of divorce, ...."*

What God really hates, is not the legal proceeding, but what it brings into His people's **LIVES**

Divorce is not so indelibly imprinted in the life of the sinner that it cannot be **WASHED AWAY** by Christ's blood!

### What is Divorce?

A divorce, then, is the **REPUDIATION** and **BREAKING** of the Covenant of Companionship

### The Concept of Divorce

While God does not like divorce because of what it causes ... He does accept it as a reality for life in a **FALLEN WORLD** .

Step 1 – there was a written bill of divorce

Step 2 – The bill must be served

Step 3 – The person divorced must be sent from the home

### The Origin of Divorce for Sexual Sin

God's attitude about divorce tells us what He thinks about the Covenant of Companionship that He initiated for husbands and wives ... and the way God thinks about our commitment to a **RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM!**

