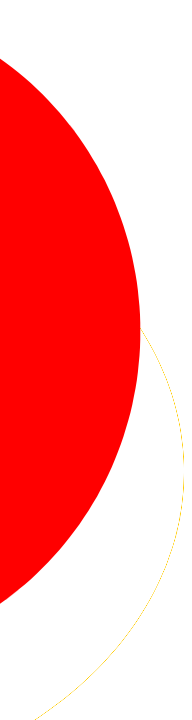




The Believer's Attitude towards Marriage

1 Corinthians 7:7-16



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1 Corinthians 7:32-33

- But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried **cares for the things of the Lord** -- how he may please the Lord. But he who is married cares about the things of the world -- how he may please *his* wife.

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- Marriage should be permanent and peaceful (1 Corinthians 7:10-16)



Acts 20:35

- "I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' "



Jesus' command for marriage

- **Matthew 19:6** "So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore **what God has joined together, let not man separate.**"
- **Mark 10:9** "Therefore **what God has joined together, let not man separate.**"

Matthew 19:10-12

- His disciples said to Him, "If such is the case of the man with *his* wife, it is better not to marry."
- But He said to them, "All cannot accept this saying, but only *those* to whom it has been given: "For there are eunuchs who were born thus from *their* mother's womb, and there are eunuchs who were made eunuchs by men, and there are **eunuchs who have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake**. He who is able to accept *it*, let him accept *it*."

Mark 10:11-12

- So He said to them, "**Whoever divorces his wife** and marries another commits adultery against her. And **if a woman divorces her husband** and marries another, she commits adultery."

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Matthew 23:16-17

- "Woe to you, blind guides, who say, 'Whoever swears by the temple, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gold of the temple, he is obliged *to perform it.*' Fools and blind! For which is greater, the gold or the temple that sanctifies the gold?"

Matthew 23:18-22

- "And, 'Whoever swears by the altar, it is nothing; but whoever swears by the gift that is on it, he is obliged *to perform it.*' Fools and blind! For which is greater, the gift or **the altar that sanctifies the gift?** Therefore he who swears by the altar, swears by it and by all things on it. He who swears by the temple, swears by it and by Him who dwells in it. And he who swears by heaven, swears by the throne of God and by Him who sits on it.

1 Peter 3:1-2

- Wives, likewise, *be* submissive to your own husbands, that even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, **may be won by the conduct of their wives**, when they observe your chaste conduct *accompanied* by fear.



Living in peace

- **Romans 12:18** If it is possible, as much as depends on you, **live peaceably with all men.**
- **Romans 14:19** Therefore let us **pursue the things *which make for peace*** and the things by which one may edify another.

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Living in peace (cont.)

- **Hebrews 12:14** Pursue peace with *all people*, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord:

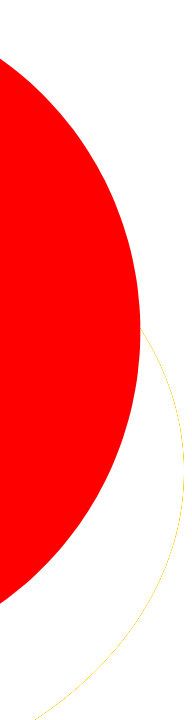
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2 Timothy 2:22-23

- Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife.

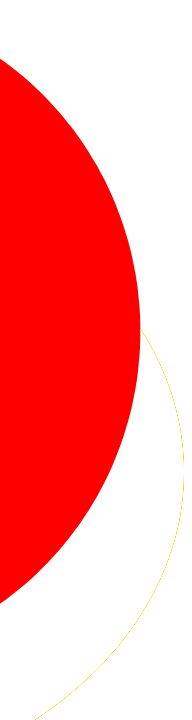
2 Timothy 2:24-26

- And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and *that* they may come to their senses *and escape* the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to *do* his will.



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