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Mark 10:1-12

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Key Verses Concerning Divorce

Old Testament

Genesis 2:21-15

Exodus 20:1-17

Deuteronomy 24:1-4

Malachi 2:10-16

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New Testament

Matthew 5:27-32

Matthew 19:1-12

Mark 10:1-12

Luke 16:18

1 Corinthians 7

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Mark 10:1-4 (NIV)

¹ Jesus then left that place and went into the region of Judea and across the Jordan. Again crowds of people came to him, and as was his custom, he taught them.

² Some Pharisees came and tested him by asking, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?”

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Mark 10:1-4 (NIV)

³ “What did Moses command you?” he replied.

⁴ They said, “Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.”

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Deuteronomy 24:1-2 (NLT)

¹“Suppose a man marries a woman but she does not please him. Having discovered something wrong with her, he writes her a letter of divorce, hands it to her, and sends her away from his house.

² When she leaves his house, she is free to marry another man.

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Mark 10:5 (NIV)

⁵“It was because your hearts were hard that Moses wrote you this law,” Jesus replied.

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Mark 10:6-9 (NIV) (ref. Gen 2:21-25)

⁶ “But at the beginning of creation God ‘made them male and female.’

⁷ ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife,

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Mark 10:6-9 (NIV) (ref. Gen 2:21-25)

⁸ and the two will become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh.

⁹ Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

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Mark 10:10-12 (NIV)

¹⁰ When they were in the house again, the disciples asked Jesus about this.

¹¹ He answered, “Anyone who divorces his wife and marries another woman commits adultery against her.

¹² And if she divorces her husband and marries another man, she commits adultery.”

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Matthew 19:9 (NIV)

⁹ I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, **except for marital unfaithfulness**, and marries another woman commits adultery.”

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Matthew 5:27-28, 31-32 (NIV)

²⁷ “You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’

²⁸ But I tell you that anyone who **looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.**

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Matthew 5:27-28, 31-32 (NIV)

³¹ “It has been said, ‘Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.’

³² But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, **except for marital unfaithfulness**, causes her to become an adulteress, and anyone who marries the divorced woman commits adultery.

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“She’s got gaps. I got gaps.
Together we fill gaps.”

Rocky Balboa



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God Desires to
Fill Our Gaps

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Divorce Always
Creates More Gaps

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Divorce Is Never Good,
But Is Sometimes
Necessary

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When Divorce is Necessary,
God Still Desires To Fill Our
Gaps, But The Challenge
For Us Is Greater

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Filling the Gaps-A Starting Place

-Stop buying the lie that someone else's sin and disobedience is a justifiable reason and excuse for your sin and disobedience.

-Stop playing the Blame Game. Take responsibility for your stuff.

-Reject resentment, refuse retaliation, choose to forgive, and process the pain.

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Filling the Gaps-A Starting Place

Everyday, continually throughout the day:

- Ask God for His revelation and wisdom concerning everything (Eph.1:17-19)
- Allow God to renew you and restore you as only He can (Rom. 12:1-2; Ps. 40:1-3)

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Filling the Gaps-A Starting Place

Everyday, continually throughout the day:

-Focus on where you're going not where you've been (Phil. 3:13-14)

-Never forget who you are, and just how much God really loves you (1 Peter 2:9; Rom. 5:6-9; Eph. 3:17-19)

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“There is no pit so deep
that God’s love is not
deeper still.”

Corrie Ten Boom

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“When God is about to do something great, He starts with a difficulty. When He is about to do something truly magnificent, he starts with an impossibility.”

Armin Gesswein

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I can experience the goodness of God simply because I am on this planet. (Matt. 5:45; James 1:14)

To experience the greatness of God I must trust and believe God in the midst of problems, pain, and difficulties. (John 16:33; James 1:12; Rom. 5:3-11)

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To experience the miracles of God I must be willing to trust and believe God in the midst of the impossible (Matt. 19:26; Ex. 14; Dan. 3:16-18)

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