

# The Divorce Dilemma

*Matthew 5:31-32*

## **A Longer Passage Interprets a Shorter Passage (19:3-9)**

Preoccupation:

The exclusivity of marriage

The permanence of marriage

Command vs. Concession:

It is about hardness of hearts

Negligence vs. Seriousness:

There was only one exception

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Are you peacemaking and reconciling?

\*\*There should be permanence in marriage

\*\*God has not come to tolerate divorce

\*\*Only Matthew's account lists an exception

\*\*There are instances when a marriage separation is needed

*Consider John 4:7-18 and John 8:2-11...*