

"God's Love Letter To an Unlovely Church"

"Marriage Basics"

1 Corinthians 7:10-11 To the married I give this charge (not I, but the Lord): the wife should not separate from her husband 11 (but if she does, she should remain unmarried or else be reconciled to her husband), and the husband should not divorce his wife.

1. God Instituted Marriage

The Big ?

Secularism –

Theism — *Genesis 2:18-19*

The Reasons:

Companionship –

Mutual help

Propagation and pleasure

2. God Regulates Marriage

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Before the Fall there were rules:

Genesis 2:20-25

After the Fall there were more rules:

Genesis 24:2-4

Duet 22 & 24:1-4

Matthew 5:31-32

Matthew 19:7-9

Eph 5

3. God Restores Marriage

God knows conflict will happen and lead to separation –

“but if she does” - 1 John 2:1

God requires reconciliation – ***“be reconciled”***

God Provides Reconciling grace

2 Corinthians 5:18-21

Romans 5:10-11

Colossians 1:19-20

Matthew 5:22-24