

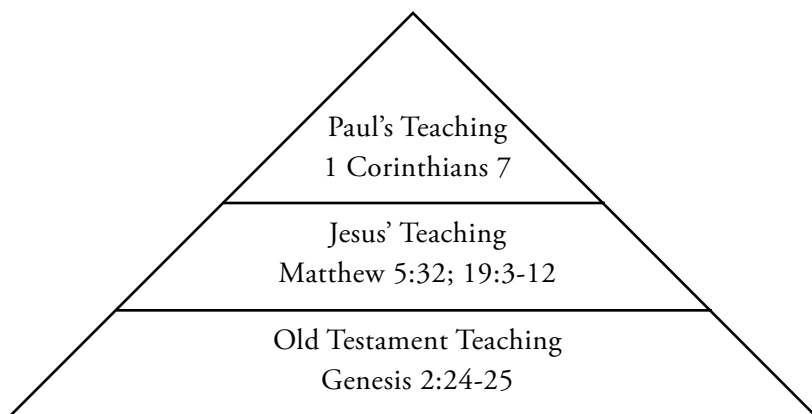
**THE DIVORCE DILEMMA**

Matthew 19:3-9

Introduction: Questions about divorce and remarriage are not as complicated as we are led to believe when we understand God's original design for marriage.

I. The Universal Principle Stated (1 Corinthians 7:10-11)

II. The Universal Principle Affirmed



III. The Universal Principle Illustrated (Matthew 19:3-9)

A. The Pharisees' Question (Matthew 19:3)

1. Two views of divorce in Jesus' day

2. Jesus' dilemma

B. Jesus' Reply (Matthew 19:4-6)

Principles That Clarify The Divorce Question

1. Our mates are designed to \_\_\_\_\_ us, not to \_\_\_\_\_ us. (Matthew 19:4)

2. Marriage creates an \_\_\_\_\_ between husband and wife. (Matthew 19:5)

3. Every marriage is \_\_\_\_\_ by God. (Matthew 19:6)