

Biblical Basis for Marriage, Part 1

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I. Introduction.

- A. Many think that think that the traditional family should be preserved, but that is not what is happening.
- B. Not many marriages have a “love affair.” (Malachi 2:13-16)
- C. Divorce is prevalent today.

II. The primary things for sustaining a marriage is keeping one’s relationship with Christ vibrant and working at one’s marriage.

III. Marriage is of divine origin.

- A. God must be given a right place in each partner’s life.
- B. The closer a spouse comes to God, the closer he or she will come to his or her spouse.
- C. One of the special things God has for us is the marriage union. (Genesis 1)
- D. The marriage relationship is put in the context of living the Christian life. (Ephesians 5)

IV. A husband and wife are indispensable to each other.

Application questions:

1. What does the Bible say about marriage?

2. What are some practical ways one can work at his or her marriage?

3. How can a husband and wife prioritize their relationship with God together?
