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Here Comes the Bride

The Church is referred to as the Bride of Christ. How does a groom take care of his bride?



Politics and Religion

- What is government?
- Who makes the laws?
- What are the laws based on?
- Can you name any 'stupid' laws men passed?
- Slideshow at [Huffington Post](#)
- What do you do if a law conflicts with what God teaches us?



God's Word

"So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. Then God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground."" (Genesis 1:27-28 NLT)

"So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. While the man slept, the Lord God took out one of the man's ribs and closed up the opening. Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib, and he brought her to the man.

"At last!" the man exclaimed. "This one is bone from my bone, and flesh from my flesh! She will be called 'woman,' because she was taken from 'man.'"

This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one." (Genesis 2:23-24 NLT)

What Does the Bible Say About Gay Marriage and Homosexuality?

"Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery.

Don't love money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, "I will never fail you. I will never abandon you.'" (Hebrews 13:4-5 NLT)

"But God shows his anger from heaven against all sinful, wicked people who suppress the truth by their wickedness. They know the truth about God because he has made it obvious to them. For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God.

Yes, they knew God, but they wouldn't worship him as God or even give him thanks. And they began to think up foolish ideas of what God was like. As a result, their minds became dark and confused. Claiming to be wise, they instead became utter fools. And instead of worshiping the glorious, ever-living God, they worshiped idols made to look like mere people and birds and animals and reptiles.

So God abandoned them to do whatever shameful things their hearts desired. As a result, they did vile and degrading things with each other's bodies. They traded the truth about God for a lie. So they worshiped and served the things God created instead of the Creator himself, who is worthy of eternal praise! Amen. That is why God abandoned them to their shameful desires. Even the women turned against the natural way to have sex and instead indulged in sex with each other. And the men, instead of having normal sexual relations with women, burned with lust for each other. Men did shameful things with other men, and as a result of this sin, they suffered within themselves the penalty they deserved.

Since they thought it foolish to acknowledge God, he abandoned them to their foolish thinking and let them do things that should never be done. Their lives became full of every kind of wickedness, sin, greed, hate, envy, murder, quarreling, deception, malicious behavior, and gossip. They are backstabbers, haters of God, insolent, proud, and boastful. They invent new ways of sinning, and they disobey their parents. They refuse to understand, break their promises, are heartless, and have no mercy. They know God's justice requires that those who do these things deserve to die, yet they do them anyway. Worse yet, they encourage others to do them, too. (Romans 1:18-31 NLT)

Let's Talk

Read Mark 10 or Matthew 19.
 Jesus talks about Divorce and Marriage.

Why did the Pharisees ask Jesus if they could divorce for any reason?

What did Jesus say about divorce?

Were the Pharisees being unfaithful in their marriages?

Pass It On

- Do you want to get married? Why or why not?
- What traits do you look for in a future husband or wife?
- How can you help someone who is confused about their sexuality?

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Let's Pray

Dear Lord,

Thank you for your precious Word that guides us in knowing what is right and what is wrong, and what marriage is and what is not. Give us strength to stand for Your Truth in this crazy world. Thank you for marriage. Help us to love, honor, and protect what You have created to be a blessed and sacred union between a man and a woman, in Jesus Name.



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