## WHAT DOES GOD HAVE TO SAY ABOUT MARRIAGE & THUS DIVORCE KING JESUS REPROVES THE HYPOCRITES WHO OPPOSE HIM and TWIST HIS WORD Matthew 19:1-9

- I. GOD'S VIEW OF DIVORCE IS BASED ON HIS VIEW OF MARRIAGE WHICH HE INSTITUTED: Jesus reveals God's intent for marriage and thus divorce by reproving the Pharisees wicked view with His Word (1-6)
  - A. The Pharisees reveal their wicked view of divorce by testing Jesus with a seemingly biblical question (1-3)
  - B. Jesus responds, reproving the Pharisees with His Word concerning God's intent for marriage (4-6. Misc. Passages)
- II. GOD PERMITTED DIVORCE ON THE GROUNDS OF ADULTERY: In addressing the Pharisees deceitful follow-up question, Jesus reveals God permitted divorce only on the grounds of immorality because of their hard, unbelieving, sinful hearts (7-9)
  - **A.** The Pharisees further reveal their wickedness by twisting Scripture in their follow-up question of Jesus (7)
  - **B.** Jesus reproves them again revealing divorce for immorality was permitted because of sin (8, Misc. Passages)
  - **C.** Jesus declares whoever divorces causes adultery to be committed except in the case of a spouse's sexual immorality, which implies remarriage is permitted **(9)**
- III. FURTHER NEW TESTAMENT TEACHING ON DIVORCE AND REMARRIAGE
  - **A.** You can divorce and remarry if a unbelieving spouse leaves (1Cor 7:10-16, 27-28)
  - B. What about Romans 7, which speaks of remarriage in case of death alone?
- IV. WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVE SINNED in the matter of Divorce?