

The Doctrine of Marriage *vis a vis* Obstacles to a Godly Marriage

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III. Christ and his bride the Church. Eph. 5.21f

C. What will be the relationship of those married here in heaven?

Matthew 19:4-6 (KJV)

And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Matthew 22:29-30 (KJV)

Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God. For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.

Will heaven be ordered as earth was? What does it mean to be as the angels in this regard?

IV. Sinful man's advising God about Marriage.

A. Incest and the family of man.

Genesis 4:16-18 (KJV)

And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden. And Cain knew his wife; and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and called the name of the city, after the name of his son, Enoch. And unto Enoch was born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and Methusael begat Lamech.

Whom did Cain marry? Why does incest in the first generations not disprove that the Bible is true or consistent?

Leviticus 20:17 (KJV)

And if a man shall take his sister, his father's daughter, or his mother's daughter, and see her nakedness, and she see his nakedness; it is a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of their people: he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness; he shall bear his iniquity.

We are not bound by these laws for the sake of OT civil law which was only to the Jews, but by moral law and natural law. What is the consequence of incest in family? In offspring?

1 Corinthians 5:1-6 (KJV)

It is reported commonly that there is fornication among you, and such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife. And ye are puffed up, and have not rather mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be taken away from among you. For I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have judged already, as though I were present, concerning him that hath so done this deed, In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, to deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus. Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?

Is this a matter of custom or sin? Sin against what? Moral or natural law?