

I. False Concepts of Marriage

1. Acts of obtaining a state-issued license cf Gen. 2:22
2. Impressive ceremony cf Gen. 24:67
3. Act of sexual union
Support - Mt. 19:4-6; 1 Cor. 6:15-16; Deut. 22:28-9
Against - 1. If true then no such thing as fornication - just marriage(s)
2. If true no meaning to Jn. 4:17-18
3. 1 Cor. 7:2 distinguishes
4. Is a raped woman married?
5. Gen. 34:1-4 nature. Union then marriage
6. Mt. 19:6 is singular - what - implying there are kinds of unions that God makes & not.
Cleave = sex (κολλαδω)

II. The Marriage Covenant

Covenant constitutes marriage, then sex

1. { Mal. 2:14 - covenant vows make marriage
Prov. 2:17
2. Deut. 7:3; Josh. 23:12 (make a marriage = cut a covenant as in 1 Kg. 8:9; 2 Ch. 5:18)
3. Betrothal = actual tho in complete marriage - 2 Sam. 3:14; Deut. 22:24
Jewish Ency. & Kittel *νυμφη*. Moore - Judaism II 121, *Eberheim - Sketches, 148.*
1099-1100
Sealed with dowery - Gen 34:12; Ex. 22:16; 1 Sam. 18-25; Hos 3:2
Covenant was Keth Bah - see Kethbah in Jewish Ency. VII 472

Betrothal 12 mo. then groom came to escort bride to his father's house Mt. 25; Ps 45 20:29-31. Then supper, then sexual union in huppah or bridal chamber. Others stood outside till consummated Deut 22:17; Jn 3:29. Bride stayed in huppah all 7 days of firstfruits Jud. 14:15
4. Deut 22:22-24 Shows covenant was marriage before sex
5. God made covenant with Israel - Deut 26:17-18; 29:12-13; Jer 11:3-4 at Sinai; Ex 19:5-8; Deut 5:2; 1 Kg 8-9; Kittel *γαμος* 654. Circumcision sign
6. Christ and church Eph 5:31; Acts 11:23; 2 Cor 11:2-3
The new covenant 2 Cor 3:6-8. Holy Spirit sign Eph 1:14

III. Permanency of Marriage

Oath and vow in covenant. *Σατιβγμε* Kittel 108.
Sex unites male and female in permanent covenant Gen 2:21-23 life long in marriage *because*
Can't cut away your flesh (wife or husband) Otto Piper Biblical View of Sex and Marriage, p. 134-40.

IV. Monogomy

Gen 2:18 - a help
Gen 2:21-2 - one rib
Gen 2:24 - one wife
Eph 5 - 1 bride
1 Tim 3 - one wife