

# BGM BIBLE COLLEGE

## Lecture No 1

### Christian Marriage & Family (Part 02)

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Topic: Concept and Theology of Marriage in the New Testament

Sources: Gospel of Matthew (Chapters 19 & 22), 1 Corinthians (Chapter 7)

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## 1. Introduction and Core Concept

The lecture begins with the foundation of Christian marriage.

- **Key Verse:** *"So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."* (Matthew 19:6)
- **Key Point:** Marriage is not a human invention, a societal construct, or a government law; rather, it is an **institution created by God**.

## 2. The Impact of Sin on Marriage

Changes in the husband-wife relationship after the Fall:

- **Before Sin:** There was perfect mutual love and respect.
- **After Sin:** A war of **"Power and Authority"** began.
  - The husband tries to dominate forcefully.
  - The wife tries to control the husband through manipulation.
- **Sexual Satisfaction & Polygamy:**
  - Multiple marriages (polygamy) are not the solution for sexual satisfaction.
  - Sexual fulfillment depends on **emotional bonding**, not just physical relations. If a man cannot find peace with one wife, he will not find it with four.

## 3. Biblical Marriage vs. Cultural Marriage

This is the practical and corrective section of the lecture.

- **Cultural Marriage:** When a husband lives abroad (Dubai, USA, etc.) for years while the wife remains alone back home. This contradicts Biblical principles.
- **Biblical Marriage:** The essence of marriage is **"Living Together."**

- Husbands and wives living apart for years is against the spirit of the Bible.
- Many Christian organizations maintain a rule that couples should not be separated for more than 3 months.

## 4. Marriage: Covenant vs. Contract

Christian marriage is far more than a civil agreement.

Contract	Covenant
Between two human beings.	Between two humans and <b>God</b> .
Can be broken if terms are violated.	A bond of lifelong faithfulness.
A human arrangement.	A <b>Divine Yoke</b> .

## 5. Theology of Marriage (Why no marriage in Heaven?)

- **Question:** Why will there be no marriage in the resurrection? ([Matthew 22:30](#))
- **Answer:** Earthly marriage is a **picture/reflection** of the spiritual relationship between **Christ and the Church**.
- **Explanation:** In Eternity (Heaven), we will be with the "Reality" (Jesus Christ). When the Reality is present, the "picture" or shadow is no longer needed.

## 6. Balance in Christian Life (1 Corinthians 7)

According to the teachings of Apostle Paul:

1. **Time is Short:** Worldly relationships are temporary.
2. **Finding Balance:**
  - Do not make your family an "**Idol**" (do not let them replace God).
  - Do not "**Neglect**" your family (do not ignore your responsibilities).
3. **Conclusion:** Fulfill your marriage vows faithfully, but remember that our ultimate destination is Eternity.