

# FIGHT FOR MARRIAGE

September 23, 2018

Matthew 5:31-32

I. God Hates \_\_\_\_\_ because He Loves \_\_\_\_\_.  
— v. Mal. 2:13-16, Gen. 1:27, 2:24, Eph. 5:22-32

II. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Divorce because He Loves \_\_\_\_\_. — Matt. 5:31-32

III. You need to \_\_\_\_\_ for marriage because you love \_\_\_\_\_

**FOLLOWING CHRIST MEANS FIGHTING FOR MY  
\_\_\_\_\_ AS HARD AS HE FIGHTS FOR \_\_\_\_\_.**

## **Stewardship Report:**

Last Week: \$4,442.00

This Month: \$13,787.00

Last Month: \$16,846.00

Monthly Budget: \$17,338.00



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## SMALL GROUP APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Jesus never gives up on loving us and He doesn't want us to give up on loving one another.

### 1. REVIEW THE SERMON

Read Malachi 2:13-16, Genesis 1:27, 2:24 and Ephesians 5:22-32. Summarize God's view of marriage and divorce. Why does He have this view?

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Read Matthew 5:31-32. What were various Jewish views on divorce and how does this compare with our culture today? What argument does Jesus use to support His call for no divorce? What exceptions does the Bible give to Jesus' no divorce teaching?

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### 2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What impact has divorce had on your life? How does Jesus' teaching on marriage, divorce, exceptions and remarriage help you understand your experience with divorce?

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What emotions does the Bible's teaching on divorce create in you when you think about your experiences with marriage, divorce and the church? Why does it create those emotions and how do they impact your view of God, His Word and your life?

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### 3. APPLY THE TRUTH

Pastor Micah ended with 5 specific situations people can be in related to marriage and divorce. What situation are you in and how can you apply God's Word to your life to help you follow Jesus in the area of marriage and divorce?

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### 4. COMMIT THIS WEEK

God hates divorce, but He loves you no matter what your story or situation is. What will you do this week to reject shame from Satan and move yourself and your relationship more into the covenant love and grace of God?

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