



The Husband in the Mirror

Hard Days—Living With a Difficult Wife

Matthew 19:3-9, 1 Corinthians 7:10-16, 28, 33-34

Questions
January 31, 2003

1. Is marriage ever easy? Explain your answer.
2. What does the Bible have to say about the following, and why is that significant?

Divorce, Matthew 19:3-9 _____

Adultery, Matthew 19:9 _____

Separation, 1 Corinthians 7:10-11 _____

Marriage to an unbeliever, 1 Corinthians 7:12-14 _____

Desertion, 1 Corinthians 7:15-15 _____

3. Which is more important—to be committed to the institution of marriage or to your spouse? Explain your answer.

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Listener's Outline

The Big Idea: _____

1. What is and isn't difficult?

2. What is the real problem in a difficult marriage?

3. Should you stay in a difficult marriage?

What is your authority?

Institution versus person

4. How can you stay in a difficult marriage?

Confronting sinful behaviors

Boundaries

5. Think it through: Do you have the knowledge, belief, authority, faith, and patience to do marriage God's way?