

## Questions for Discussion

- If you commit adultery OR have a non-sexual romantic relationship while married to another, what should you do?
- If both parties commit adultery while married, can they scripturally divorce each other? We know remarriage is not allowed in this situation. Does your answer change based on who committed adultery first?
- If the husband is having a romantic relationship (no sexual contact) and the wife has a sexual relationship with another can/should the husband divorce his wife?
- Can one repent and be forgiven for an unscriptural divorce? How?
- Can one repent and be forgiven for an unscriptural marriage? How?
- If wife is unscripturally married to her husband who has never been married before and the wife's first spouse dies, what happens?
- If the husband commits adultery and the wife chooses not to divorce him, can she divorce him 6 months, 1 year, or some time in the future?

1. If you commit adultery?
  1. Repent and Stop having that relationship
  2. Then reconcile/fix your marriage
  3. Your spouse may still divorce you but you will have done what God expects
2. Both parties commit adultery
  1. Just as if one party committed adultery, the person should repent and try to fix their marriage
  2. In this case both parties should repent and try to fix their marriage
  3. God hates divorce. Matt 19:9 is giving the exception
  4. Then neither has the right to divorce nor remarry
  5. As for Matt 19:9 – without the right to remarry, there can be no right to divorce
3. Husband has romantic relations and wife commits adultery
  1. No, he should repent, stop having the relationship and reconcile his marriage
  2. The wife should do the same
4. Repent for unscriptural divorce?
  1. Couples often get divorced even when they should not. Divorce is a one time event that can be repented of and is easy not to repeat the sin
  2. The fruits of repentance would be to remain single or to reconcile your

marriage, but this may not be possible due to the other spouse.

5. Repent for unscriptural marriage?
  1. Yes, you can repent today for it but, ...
  2. The fruit of repentance would be to dissolve the unscriptural marriage as they did in Ezra 9-10
  3. If this does not happen, then you are stuck in a situation of continuous sin
6. Wife is unscripturally married, and her first spouse dies
  1. Per Rom 7, she is no longer an adulterous.
  2. She is free from the law as it relates to her first husband
7. Wife chooses not to divorce adulterous husband?
  1. 1 Cor 7 says that if you divorce you are to remain single or be reconciled. Once reconciled, then then the couple is back in a state where divorce is not allowed.
  2. Once she has recommitted herself to marriage, they are moving forward. The past is the past
  3. Just like God forgiving you, He holds it against you no longer.
  4. If the husband cheats again, then she could divorce him for that occurrence.