



NewsLetter

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Clarity and Understanding of Marriage, Divorce and Remarriage Part.1

The rates of marriage and divorce in the U.S. have been gradually changing over time as people adapt to more modern ways of living.

Using data from the U.S. Census Bureau, Statista, and Forbes between 1920 and 2022, this study on behalf of Spokeo has compiled some of the most interesting marriage and divorce statistics using the latest data and reports to see how the world is changing when it comes to relationships.

Overall, marriage and divorce rates have changed significantly over the last 25+ years. Both marriage and divorce are declining with each generation, and people are waiting longer on average to get married if they get married at all. The marriage rate has declined by 50% from 12% in 1920 to 6% in 2021, with divorce rates expected to reach an all-time low of 2.2 by 2027.

Today people have a different views of marriage. However, marriage is beneficial to human. There are many blessings for a couple that loves each other, than a couple that destroys each other. "The entire universe is governed by very real physical, moral and spiritual laws, which affect every area of life. Marriage is no exception. A special relationship between two people who love each other is at the heart of the plan of God, the designer and manager of all things. A couple that ignores this will be as vulnerable as a rudderless boat in the middle of the ocean.

Surprised and disoriented by the whirlwind of feelings and the complexity of the human personality, they'll set adrift without understanding why.

For years, there has been a lot of misunderstanding in the Church about marriage, divorce, and remarriage. As a result, people have been hurt, condemned, and confused. Many suffered in silence, thinking that God was angry with them or that God was displeased because of mistakes they had made in the past.

The biblical perspective on marriage

The institution of marriage is established by God, and the Bible teaches us that it is indissoluble. It also teaches us how to find true happiness in marriage and how to enjoy its blessings. The absence of marital happiness and joy leads to the most miserable life of a couple.

Marriage is a covenant, not a contract, in which a man and a woman are legally and spiritually united as husband and wife.

"You ask, "Why?" It is because the Lord is the witness between you and the wife of your youth. You have been unfaithful to her, though she is your partner, the wife of your marriage covenant.

Has not the one God made you? You belong to him in body and spirit. And what does the one God seek? Godly offspring. q So be on your guard, and do not be unfaithful to the wife of your youth." (Malachi 2:14-15)

Ellen White's position on marriage

"Marriage is honorable," it was one of God's first gifts to man, and it is one of the two establishments which, after the fall, Adam brought with him beyond the gates of Paradise." Adventist home, p. 25

"If ever there was a subject that should be carefully considered and in which the advice of older and more experienced people should be sought, it is well then the subject of marriage, if ever the Bible was needed as a counselor, if ever divine guidance should be sought in prayer, it is well before taking a step that binds people together for life." Conflict and courage P. 58

The position of the Church

Marriage between a man and a woman is one of God's two original gifts to the human family. It should provide the joys of peace and solidarity in every time, place and culture." (What Adventists Believe, p.297)

The impact of sin on marriage

Wherever sin reigns, its sad effects on marriage are felt: alienation, abandonment, infidelity, indifference, abuse, violence, separation, divorce, domination of one partner over the other and sexual perversion.

God's grace is available to all sinners. God seeks to completely restore and reconcile to himself all those who have failed to reach the divine ideal, including those who have experienced breakdowns in their conjugal relationships.

The biblical perspective on divorce

There is no doubt that divorce is contrary to God's original plan for marriage.

Jesus said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? So, they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate. "(Matthew 19:5-6)

A marriage can be destroyed

- 1.Remember that marriage is based on the principles of love, loyalty, trust, and support from both partners.
- 2.When these principles are violated, the marriage is in jeopardy and could be broken.
- 3.The Scriptures recognize that difficult circumstances can destroy a marriage.

The grace of Jesus is also applicable to divorce

God does not act like human beings. He accepts the repentance of people who have committed the most serious faults, even those with the most irreparable consequences.

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9).

There are two biblical grounds for divorce and remarriage.

What are there? There will be unveiled in the next month newsletter.