

JUNE 19TH 2021

MARRIAGE AND THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

Matthew 5:27-32



DISCIPLESHIP QUESTIONS

- Take note of any observations, questions, and exciting insights you found while reading through the text to share with the group. What jumped out at you? What was something you noticed now that you didn't see before?
- Talk about a time where you were personally affected by sexual sin or divorce. How did that shape your life or make you think about the value of relationships?
- How does Jesus reframe or refocus the commandment "do not commit adultery?" How are lust and adultery similar?
- Explain what Jesus meant when he was comparing divorce and adultery. Why does the union of man and woman matter? What are the consequences of their separation?
- Certainly, Jesus's commands of self-mutilation aren't to be taken literally. However, the picture that Jesus gives his disciples instructs them to make drastic sacrifices to avoid sin. What might this look like in our lives?
- If you're married, how do you protect and uphold your marriage commitments? Where does the spirit help you in your marriage?
- If you're single, or widowed, how does this teaching equip you to live a holy life? Where does Jesus's grace redeem our brokenness?

Memory Verse:
Matthew 5:29

"If your right eye makes you stumble, tear it out and throw it from you; for it is better for you to lose one of the parts of your body, than for your whole body to be thrown into hell."