

SECTION 1: SPECIFIC MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE COMMANDMENTS

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<p>Gen 2:23-24</p> <p>The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,'^[i] for she was taken out of man."²⁴ For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.</p>	<p>Deut 24:1-4</p> <p>If a man marries a woman who becomes displeasing to him because he finds something indecent about her, and he writes her a certificate of divorce, gives it to her and sends her from his house,² and if after she leaves his house she becomes the wife of another man,³ and her second husband dislikes her and writes her a certificate of divorce, gives it to her and sends her from his house, or if he dies,⁴ then her first husband, who divorced her, is not allowed to marry her again after she has been defiled. That would be detestable in the eyes of the LORD. Do not bring sin upon the land the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance.</p>	<p>Mal 2:14-16</p> <p>So guard yourself in your spirit, and do not break faith with the wife of your youth.</p> <p>¹⁶ "I hate divorce," says the LORD God of Israel, "and I hate a man's covering himself^[i] with violence as well as with his garment," says the LORD Almighty.</p> <p>So guard yourself in your spirit, and do not break faith.</p>	<p>Matt 5:32</p> <p>But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.</p> <p>Matt 19:5-6</p> <p>⁵And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? ⁶Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.</p>	<p>Matt 19:5-9</p> <p>He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.</p> <p>⁹And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.</p>	<p>I Tim 3:7-8</p> <p>Now the overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach,³ not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money.⁴ He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect.⁵ (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?)</p>	<p>Titus 1:6</p> <p>⁶An elder must be blameless, the husband of but one wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient.⁷ Since an overseer^[i] is entrusted with God's work, he must be blameless—not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain.⁸ Rather he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined.⁹ He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.</p>
<p>GOD MADE TWO FLESH TO BE ONE FLESH</p>	<p>GOD PROMISE AND HIS INHERTIANCE</p>	<p>GUARD YOUR WIFE, GOD HATES DIVORCE</p>	<p>GOD HAS JOINED MAN AND WIFE</p>	<p>WHOEVER REMARRIES COMMITS ADULTERY</p>	<p>OVERSEERS REQUIREMENT MUST NOT DIVORCE</p>	<p>DEACONS REQUIREMENT MUST NOT DIVORCE</p>

SECTION 2: SUPPORTING VERSES Vs. FALSE DOCTRINE

1. Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! saith the LORD. ²Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people; Ye have scattered my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold, I will visit upon you the evil of your doings, saith the LORD. Jem 23:1-2
2. ³If anyone teaches false doctrines and does not agree to the sound instruction of our Lord Jesus Christ and to godly teaching, ⁴he is conceited and understands nothing. He has an unhealthy interest in controversies and quarrels about words that result in envy, strife, malicious talk, evil suspicions ⁵and constant friction between men of corrupt mind, who have been robbed of the truth and who think that godliness is a means to financial gain II Tim 7-8
3. ¹⁰Am I now trying to win the approval of men, or of God? Or am I trying to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a servant of Christ. Gal 1:10
4. ⁹Anyone who runs ahead and does not continue in the teaching of Christ does not have God; whoever continues in the teaching has both the Father and the Son. ¹⁰If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not take him into your house or welcome him. ¹¹Anyone who welcomes him shares in his wicked work. II John 1:9-11
5. ¹But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them—bringing swift destruction on themselves. ²Many will follow their shameful ways and will bring the way of truth into disrepute. ³In their greed these teachers will exploit you with stories they have made up. Their condemnation has long been hanging over them, and their destruction has not been sleeping. II Pet 2:1
6. ⁹Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings. It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace, not by ceremonial foods, which are of no value to those who eat them.
7. ¹⁷Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. ¹⁸For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple. ¹⁹For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.
8. ¹³And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? ¹⁴But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; ¹⁵But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear: ¹⁶Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ. I Pet 3:13-16

SECTION 3: OTHER SUPPORTING FACTS

1. Claiming the Baptist Faith and message; page 21; section XVIII the family, 3rd paragraph
2. HBC Church Constitution by laws; page 6 and 7, 2008.