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# Heartbeat

#### **Our Message**

The secular worldview permeating our churches today will only be altered when God's servants lose their fear of public opinion and realize they are Jesus Christ's representative to the world, declaring without fear or favor the clear teachings concerning the permanency of the marriage covenant, which is the Biblical worldview.

If we desire to see the elimination of the bad fruit being produced in our society and our churches, we will need to replace the present day worldview with the true, historic Biblical worldview concerning marriage, and cry out to God for the healing of our families and our land.

If we are willing, God will do the same for us today, as He promised His people in Isaiah 30:18-19:

And therefore will the Lord wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted, that he may have mercy upon you: for the Lord is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait for Him. For the

people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more; he will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee.

He promised mercy, forgiveness, and blessing on Israel if they would just repent. I realize the true repentance God wants us to experience will require an adjustment of one's personal belief system. Our decisions are based upon our belief system. And our belief system should be based upon God's Word.

God's desire is for each of us to admit our non Biblical worldviews and forsake them so He can show mercy.

He that covereth his sin shall not prosper, but who so confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy. Proverbs 28:13

This Biblical worldview concerning marriage and divorce is difficult and must be taught with compassion; but what is Biblical compassion? It is vitally important we understand the true Biblical meaning of the word - compassion. Compassion is not

the same as sympathy. We can sympathize with the individual and their circumstances but we must stand firm on Biblical principles.

God defines compassion in II Chronicles 36 - "And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place." Vs 15.

In the New Testament we read of how Jesus manifested divine compassion toward those following Him.

And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd and he began to teach them many things. Mark 6:34.

Whenever we teach anyone what God says, we manifest God's compassion.

God is calling out and desires to speak to His people concerning the suffering due to divorce and remarriage today!

Look again at the Lord's teaching and embrace it. Biblical teaching is necessary for our survival as a people and a nation. Consider the affects of broken homes on our children. How much more poverty, violence, crime, insecurity, suicide and other mental and physical effects do we need to experience before we turn back to God and His ways.

With all the statistical evidence available today why are not Christians calling for reevaluation of ungodly doctrines offered today in Christian circles?

Let's look again at our Lord's teaching and embrace it, teach it, live it, show it, pass it on!

A Secular Worldview is being promulgated in both the world and in our churches.

The only true answer for our suffering society - is A Biblical Worldview.

Isaiah said:

Also, I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I, send me. Isaiah 6:8

Joe & Pat Webb

We encourage you to sponsor a marriage event. Please contact me and we will work with you.

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Joseph and wife,

My covenant loved husband went to be with his lord.

I prayed for his salvation for 30 years...WE were under restoration. He received JESUS in the year 2001. He was captive. The last years he joined me, going to church each Sunday. He invited his un-covenant daughter church and SHE RECEIVED JESUS last march. He asked her forgiveness for bringing her in a wrong way, He realized now that it didn't please God. He said his activities were a mistake, but she was not an error and he loved her.

The woman involved showed up in the funeral and talked to my daughter... GOD heard our prayers and THEY ENDED THEIR ADULTEROUS RELATIONISHIP; and joined HOSEA FELLOWSHIP... I am the one who told you, your book "Till death us part?," disappeared from Christian

bookstores... I remembered when I had it in my hands in the year 2001, but I didn't buy it...later one sister from HOSEA FELLOWSHIP sent it to me,..and I share it with pastors...and am waiting for fruit.

L.R.d.T. ~~~~~

Dr Webb' Thank you for allowing God to use you. God Bless. Keep our family in prayer. It's .going to be a difficult road ahead with my eyes open. Thank You Sir

M. H. E-mail

#### Dr. Webb:

"Prophets" today are those who strongly speak the word of God to people, whatever the cost! I have a friend who is a New Testament prophet. After about six months, he was always asked to leave a Church. He has been in a Church for several years now, so that Church must be willing to listen to New Testament prophecy!

May we speak the word as it is given to us even if we do not have the gift of Prophecy!! We don't have to have a call to be a New Testament Prophet or to have a word of prophecy!



#### **Questions and Answers**

Dear Dr. Webb;

I have some important questions for you that I humbly ask for your response. I truly want to do God's will.

Before I got saved, as a Catholic, I married a woman (Actually, you entered into a lifelong covenant with her, according to your words of promise and God's word.)I would say I was a non-believer in 1975. (The Scriptures say, if one is "joined to a harlot, they are one flesh.") Our marriage lasted maybe 3 years. (Actually, your marriage is just as strong as it ever was but you have ceased to keep vour vows to God, to love, honor and cherish her, regardless of her conduct.) She left me, moved in with another man & had 3 or 4 kids. She never married this man. (Scripturally, she couldn't MARRY him because she is still in covenant with you and will be till one or the other dies.)

I divorced her on the grounds of Adultery around 1978. (Scripture allow one to divorce because of adultery, but that does not change the covenant.

You must pray your covenant partner will repent and return to her one and only covenant partner. Read the book of Hosea and Jeremiah 3.)

By 1981, I remarried a Catholic woman. Read Luke 16:18. In reality, you also entered into an adulterous relationship, because when you married the first time, you gave title of your body to your covenant wife until death.

In 1985 I got saved. She followed a year later. By this statement, I have to assume you both repented of your adultery and separated, to be restored to your covenant partner. I Corinthians 6:9,10 & Romans 7:1-3

Over the next 17-20 years it was not a very peaceful relationship. In the 1st year I was saved, I even thought I heard God say to go back to my 1st wife. I thought, "This can't be from God. I have 2 children." A lot of single people and adulterous people have illegitimate children, just like my parents did when they conceived me. By 2001 after I got into fulltime Ministry, According to the Apostle Paul, the FIRST requirement of a pastor is: "To be the husband of ONE WIFE, rule his house well and have children who obey quickly and quietly." To be otherwise, disqualifies a man to be a pastor. separated...got back together...separated, and Ι divorced her on the grounds of Adultery as she met and got involved with another man. Today she is living with my friend. They are engaged to be married.

He was married to a woman who was also divorced. Their marriage ended after about 17 years. ..around 2006/7

She, my ex, was married to me a divorcee prior to salvation. Being saved or unsaved has nothing to do with the covenant marriage. If it only applied to Christians, then Christians are the only ones who can be adulterers. Jesus said: "WHOSOEVER divorces his marries another, wife and adulterv.'' commits The marriage law is UNIVERSAL and applies to saints and sinners alike. This is why Jesus and Paul said: "The adulterer SHALL NOT inherit the Kingdom of God. This is not because of sin, but the violation of a covenant, affirmed by God. This is why the **Scriptures** are clear: "Ecclesiastes 5:4-6; God says: "wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and DESTROY THE WORK **OF THINE** HANDS." I didn't say that: God did!

#### Question:

Are they both free to remarry? They were according to you in adulterous remarriages. Neither are free to remarry if they were married to another who had

never been married before, and still alive.

If God did not recognize their marriages, and they were in ADULTEROUS remarriages, then can my 2nd wife marry him? You never said if your second wife had been married before she lived with you. If not, she could (Not Remarry) but marry. She could not be married to you, because you are already and are still married to your covenant partner.

Next: I married a 3rd time. It lasted 3 years & 3 months ending in her divorcing me in 2011 but leaving in 2010. She left me on the grounds she claimed, emotional abuse. I know these are not legitimate grounds, & I wanted her to stay. Since she left, I have read much teachings from you & others & have discovered I was in adultery with marriage #3.

Is that true? She was divorced from 2 previous Christian men who are both alive. All of these questions are redundant and unnecessary. ANYTIME a man and a woman marry for the FIRST TIME EACH, they are ONE FLESH FOR LIFE. Put that measuring tape to all of these questions and you will have the Biblical answer.

Lastly: My 1st wife hates God and is unsaved. You manifest Jesus Christ in your life and love her RIGHT WHERE SHE IS, UNCONDTIONALLY as Christ commands us to do, and maybe, just maybe, she will acquire a thirst to be saved. Remember: "God says: I HATE DIVORCE." If God hates it, we should too.

In God's eyes is she my REAL wife? **YES!** Or is my 2nd wife who is Christian my real wife?

There are solid Bible teachers who say my 1st marriage & past life prior to salvation is under the blood. When you got saved were you making car payments, house etc? Did payments contracts mysteriously disappear also? In I Corinthians 6, Paul tells Christians NOT to leave their UNBELIEVING partners, because it places their unsaved partners in a place the Holy Spirit can convict them by our testimony.

Finally: What do I do?

My 1st wife is no longer with her common-law husband of over 30 years.

She never remarried.

She has left him. Although she has violated her marriage vows, she is still your wife, because your covenant is "TILL DEATH."

Do I try to win her to Christ? Absolutely; but not by preaching, but rather by manifesting the love and unconditional forgiveness of Jesus Christ in your dealings with her.

And if I don't, do I enter back in that marriage with an unbeliever or stay single the rest of my life? You will NEVER be single again unless your wife dies. You need to RESTORE your relationship, not your marriage.

I have prayed for answers & have asked God who my REAL WIFE IS. I keep getting Wife #2...the Christian. After spending all this time to try to guide you in this very serious subject, I am asking you to READ MY TWO BOOKS on this subject, and then contact me again. They will answer all of your questions; scripturally and historically.

I once cried out to God, "Who is my real wife?"

Immediately Wife number 2 called...the phone rang & it was her! Satan is always trying to send an Ishmael before an Isaac. Circumstances NEVER supersede Scripture.

Explain that!

Satan is not that organized to cause that to happen. You do err because you do not know the scriptures. He is a liar and the father of lies. He is a deceiver and a liar. He told Adam & Eve, "if you eat of the forbidden fruit, you will be as God." NOT!

Yet your teachings suggest Wife #1 is my REAL wife.

Please respond.

I am a Minister in Christ seeking Truth. If and when you and your first wife are restored: you will have a testimony that will blow the doors off of most churches. God will take your mistakes and make them your MINISTRY. Once you are restored; "strengthen thy brethren."

When I prayed about my REAL wife, THREE TIMES I got the answer #2 from other solid believers WHO HEAR from the Lord.

Please write. All I want is TRUTH. And to do God's will. "YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE. MY WORD IS TRUTH!"

Sincerely, Rev. J.O. ~~~~

Dear Dr. Webb;

Thank you ever so much for your thoughtful, scriptural, and truthful response. I appreciate you very much. Please pray the Lord save my 1st wife....and restoration take place. I will digest your response again and again. Thank you & may God bless you.

Brother.J.O. ~~~~~~~~

Remember: The true measure of a person is NOT where he/she stands in moments of comfort, but where he/she stands at times of challenge and controversy.



#### **POINTS TO PONDER:**

Sad to report, but divorces among older Americans are surging. That's saving something in a country that is already the world leader in divorces. And with baby boomers--already no strangers to divorce--entering middle age at a fast clip, the divorce trend may well become even more pronounced.

In their own recent research that included a review of an earlier work, Susan L. Brown and I-Fen Lin at Bowling Green State University's National Center for Family & Marriage Research Center, found that the divorce rate among Americans at least 50 years old had doubled between 1990 and 2009. The doubling trend held up among those over age 65 as well as among younger boomers, although the numbers of divorces is higher among the younger group.

People already divorced at least once and remarried are two-and-a-half times more likely to divorce again than those still in their first-time marriages. Half of all divorces for people aged at least 50 involved remarriages, the researchers said, and they thus predicted the trend would accelerate. Internet:

Present day research data shows one pattern emerging loudly and clearly: young adults rarely possess a biblical worldview. A current study found that less than ONE HALF OF **ONE** PERCENT of adults aged 18-23, have a biblical worldview, compared to about one out of nine older adults. every

These statistics exemplify Jesus' words in Luke 18:8; "...when the Son of man cometh, SHALL HEFIND **FAITH** ON THE EARTH?" May God help each of us to obey our Lords' command found in Luke 19:13; "Occupy TILL I COME." We dare not let up now, for "The night cometh, when NO MAN can work."

r-A wise man's heart is at his right hand; but a fool's heart at his left.

Yea also, when he that is a fool walketh by the way, his wisdom faileth him, and he saith to every one that he is a fool. If the spirit of the ruler rise up against thee, leave not thy place; for yielding pacifieth great offences.

Ecclesiastes 10:2-4

Please read Psalm 67 and pray without ceasing for our nation.



I quote one of our Founding Fathers, John Adams, "Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passions, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence."

In Psalm 12:6; we find the "facts" about God's word. The words of the Lord are pure words: as silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times. The Living Bible adds: "He speaks NO careless words."

If you and I only speak the Word, and not our own opinions, the enemy is totally disarmed, with no lasting authority in anything they speak. After we have spoken what the Word says, the rest is up to the Holy Spirit. Let's be people of the word!



### Church Fights Tooth Truth Decay

Liberals have had success rewriting U.S. law, but their attempts at rewriting God's law are proving a lot more difficult. Yesterday, despite intense pressure from

homosexuals, the largest Protestant denomination in America refused to bend on the Bible's view of sexuality. At the convention of the United Methodist Church, more than 1,000 delegates engaged in a fierce debate over an issue that has shattered more than a few American denominations in recent years.

unlike the Episcopal Church, Presbyterian Church Evangelical (USA), and Lutheran Church. the Methodists held their ground-thanks in large part to a major influx of African and Asian membership. Every four years, the convention has debated whether the church should relax the language in its Book of Discipline, which states that homosexuality "incompatible with Christian teaching." But after a morning of emotional back and forth between the two sides, the delegation voted 61% to 39% yield to Scripture--not society.

The Left took two stabs at watering down the church's position. Another amendment would have officially acknowledged the dispute in the church by adding a line about members disagreeing "whether homosexual practices [are] contrary to the will of God." It failed. Afterward. the liberal delegates protested so loudly inside the convention hall that

the leadership had to cancel the rest of the session. "I think you're actually hurting your point," the chairman warned. Despite what the Left would have us believe, the trend of truth is not moving. In the words of an African delegate, "We allow homosexuals to change the church rather than church the to chanae homosexuals... If we say no [to these amendments], it doesn't mean we don't love that person. I stand to say that the grace of God is for all people but the grace of God does not allow us to sin." E-mail report.



#### TRINITY BARS THE DIVORCED.; No Remarriage in the Church or Any of the Chapels.

The clergy of Trinity Church (New York City) announced yesterday that under no circumstances will divorced persons be married by any of the clergy of that Episcopal parish, nor will such marriages be permitted either in the church at Wall Street and Broadway or in any one of the parish's eight chapels. The announcement was made December 7, 1904, Wednesday!

GUESS WHO HAS MOVED!~~~



A recent Barna study of Christian 18-29 year olds, stated "84% admitted they had no idea how the Bible applied to their field or professional interest." Note: that is 8 1/2 out of every ten professing young people; the same percentage Barna earlier reported were going to church nowhere after two years of college.

These individuals possess a minute rudimentary concept of a religious experience, but are completely in the dark concerning a true Christian commitment. Read: Luke 14:25-35. The Bible has everything to do with any true believer's past, present and future. It is "a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their path." "The entrance of the Word, gives light." To walk without the Word of God as our guide is to walk in darkness; having 'A form of Godliness, but denying the power thereof."

The real tragedy of all of this is; whatever they do in moderation, their children will do to excess. We need a Holy Spirit revival in America!

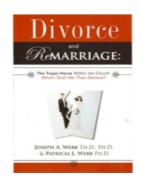
#### Clarification:

In our Spring newsletter; while responding to a question I had received through E-mail, I; trying to finish all my correspondence as quickly as possible; made the statement; "Scripture allows one to divorce because of adultery..."

What I should have said is; Civil law says it is ok to divorce and remarry for adultery, and many other reasons; all the way to incompatibility. God's law forbids it. That piece of paper from the state changes nothing in God's sight. The marriage covenant still stands until death. I Cor. 7:9, 10 speaks of "leaving your partner," but declares one should "remain unmarried, or be reconciled to their partner." The civil divorce certificate cannot affect the permanency of a covenant marriage.

I am so thankful for the army of alert believers who are helping to keep me straight on these issues. This error allowed me to speak to many of our supporters who have not spoken to me in a long time. (Maybe that's the secret of getting my friends to keep in touch with me!) Hmmmm! Thank you for keeping me clear and concise. Joe Webb





PROVIDE BOOKS AND MATERIALS TO THOSE IN NEED OF A PATHWAY TO HEALING!

## PLEASE JOIN US IN THIS HOME MISSIONS PROJECT!

If someone is contemplating marriage, confused about their present marriage, or considering divorce, these books are a must read!! Dr. Joseph A. Webb is an author, counselor and pastor-teacher centering his ministry in the areas of marriage and family. His ministry experience and heartfelt interest in the church's response to marriage and family crisis is the driving force behind CPR MINISTRIES.

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Our greatest freedom is freedom from sin.
"Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has
made us free." Galatians 5:1





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