## **Marriage Covenant**

Genesis 2: 18-24 Genesis 1: 26-30 Genesis 17: 9·10 Isaiah 44: 3 Ads 2: 39 1 Corinthians 7: 14 Malachi 2: 14

Hebrews 13: 4 Genesis 2: 2·1 Matthew 19:4-6 Mark 10: 6-9 Ephesians 5: 13

Ephesians 5: 25-33 1 Peter 3: 7 Luke 22: 26 1 Timothy 2: 8 Philippians 2: 11 1 Corinthians 11: 9 Colossians 1: 15-20

Ephesians 5: 22·24 Ephesians 5: 33 1 Corinthians 11: 3 Genesis 2: 18 Matthew 28: 18-20

Proverbs 5: 15-19 Song of Songs 1 Corinthians 11: 11 1 Corinthians 12: 1 1 Corinthians 7: 3-5 1 Corinthians 13: 4-8 2 John 6 Romans 8: 3-4

Deuteronomy 6: 6-7 Acts 2: 39 Psalms 127, 128 Hebrews 4: 12 2 Timothy 3: 14-15 Psalm 1: 1-3 2 Timothy 3: 16-17

Matthew 19: 3-9 1 Corinthians 7: 10-11 Colossians 1: 15-20 Psalm 2 The family covenant, being created and blessed of God before the institutions of both Church and civil magistrate, is to be acknowledged as the foundation of society under God. From the beginning, the family has been the means by which our great God has seen fit to extend His dominion, His presence and fellowship unto the ends of the earth. This covenant is drawn in the sight of the Almighty God, the Church and our parents, to be a witness unto the commitment and love, being ordained by the Almighty God, which bind and together in holy matrimony.

Holy matrimony, to be honored by all, being a covenant and the creation anew of a sovereign family, annuls heretofore covenanted family authority. Both man and wife are to leave father and mother, being blessed by both, and be united one unto another becoming one flesh, thus consummating this covenant.

The husband being called and commanded of our Lord, is to love his wife as Christ Jesus Himself does love His body, the Church, thus committing his life unto her. The wife being heir of the grace of life, and in order to hinder not his prayers, the husband is to honor her as unto the weaker vessel, leading not with a strong hand, but as a servant, without wrath and disputation, seeking always the imitation of our Lord, Who is head over every man.

The wife, being called and commanded of our Lord, is to love her husband, being in submission to his godly headship. She is to respect him, acknowledge and uphold his authority in the family, helping him toward fulfilling both the cultural mandate and the commission delivered unto the saints by our Lord.

Being captivated by each other's love, content and satisfied, both husband and wife are to recognize and forever abide in their mutual dependence in the Lord, not depriving one another of any marital gift, for love never fails. Out of love, both are to believe and obey the commands of our Lord, these commands being not burdensome, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Being that God has seen fit to transmit His provision and covenant through the institution of the family, both husband and wife are under obligation to instruct in all diligence the Word of God unto the children granted them of the Lord. This Word, being revealed as the Holy Scriptures, brings life and potence, wisdom unto salvation, transforming those who abide in it, equipping them unto every good work.

That this covenant is instituted by God is to be acknowledge by all - "What God has joined together, let not man separate" Mark 10: 9 - therefore, all who seek to make war against this covenant shall battle with the Almighty; Who upholds this bond by His Eternal Power and Deity.

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