



Divorce

Church 3.0
Healing Prayer Level 2
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NLT – Malachi 2: 14-16

¹⁴You cry out, “Why doesn’t the LORD accept my worship?” I’ll tell you why! Because the LORD witnessed the vows you and your wife made when you were young. But you have been unfaithful to her, though she remained your faithful partner, the wife of your marriage vows.

¹⁵Didn’t the LORD make you one with your wife? In body and spirit you are His. And what does He want? Godly children from your union. So guard your heart; remain loyal to the wife of your youth. ¹⁶“**For I hate divorce!**” says the LORD, the God of Israel. “To divorce your wife is to overwhelm her with cruelty,” says the LORD of Heaven’s Armies. “So guard your heart; do not be unfaithful to your wife.”

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Divorce: Lessons from Jesus

NLT - Matthew 5:31-32, 31 “You have heard the law that says, ‘A man can divorce his wife by merely giving her a written notice of divorce.’ ³² But I say that a man who divorces his wife, unless she has been unfaithful, causes her to commit adultery. And anyone who marries a divorced woman also commits adultery.

Lessons from Jesus:

1) Work hard to stay married - **Divorce is serious!**

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Divorce: Lessons from Jesus

NLT - Romans 3:10-12 As it is written:

“There is no one righteous, not even one;
there is no one who understands;
there is no one who seeks God.
All have turned away,
they have together become worthless;
there is no one who does good, not even one.”

Lessons from Jesus:

- 1) Work hard to stay married - Divorce is serious!
- 2) In God’s eyes, we are not that righteous.



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Divorce: Jesus instructions for the Prayer Minister

NLT - John 6:7-8 But in fact, it is best for you that I go away, because if I don’t, the Advocate won’t come. If I do go away, then I will send Him to you. 8 And when He comes, He will convict the world of its sin, and of God’s righteousness, and of the coming judgment.

NLT - Matthew 7:1-2 “Do not judge others, and you will not be judged. 2 For you will be treated as you treat others. The standard you use in judging is the standard by which you will be judged.”



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Divorce: Jesus instructions for the Prayer Minister

Instructions from Jesus:

- 1) The Holy Spirit (our Advocate) has the job of convicting the prayer recipient of sin. He does not want our help. God will judge us if we try to help!



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Divorce: Jesus instructions for the Prayer Minister

NLT - John 13:34 So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other.

NLT - Romans 13:8 Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

Instructions from Jesus:

- 1) The Holy Spirit convicts others of sin
- 2) Our job is to love the prayer recipient and pray!



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Healing Prayer – Divorce

Understanding How to Pray:

- Divorce is a process, not an event



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Understanding How to Pray:

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- Healing takes time to work through the process
- Ministering requires love, not judgment
- Satan is trying to isolate the person from relationships
 - God, children, family, church, community



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Healing Prayer – Divorce

Steps in the Process:

- Denial
 - Can be accompanied by shock



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Healing Prayer – Divorce

Steps in the Process:

- Denial
- Emotional **Honesty**
 - Healing cannot begin until the person admits they need help



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Healing Prayer – Divorce

Steps in the Process:

- Denial
- Emotional Honesty
- **Telling the Story**



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Healing Prayer – Divorce

Steps in the Process:

- Denial
- Emotional Honesty
- Telling the Story
- Processing the **Emotions**



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Healing Prayer – Divorce

Steps in the Process:

- Denial
- Emotional Honesty
- Telling the Story
- Processing the Emotions
- Forgiveness
 - ALWAYS



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Healing Prayer – Divorce

Steps in the Process:

- Denial
- Emotional Honesty
- Telling the Story
- Processing the Emotions
- Forgiveness
- Judgments
 - Both about themselves and about others



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Healing Prayer – Divorce

Steps in the Process:

- Denial
- Emotional Honesty
- Telling the Story
- Processing the Emotions
- Forgiveness
- Judgments
- Cutting of Soul-Ties



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Steps in the Process:

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- Telling the Story
- Processing the Emotions
- Forgiveness
- Judgments
- Cutting of Soul-Ties
- **Generational** Effects



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- Forgiveness
- Judgments
- Cutting of Soul-Ties
- **Generational** Effects
- **Deliverance**



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NLT – Deuteronomy 24: 1-4

“Suppose a man marries a woman but she does not please him. Having discovered something wrong with her, he writes a document of divorce, hands it to her, and sends her away from his house. When she leaves his house, she is free to marry another man. But **if the second husband also turns against her, writes a document of divorce, hands it to her, and sends her away, or if he dies, the first husband may not marry her again,** for she has been defiled. That would be detestable to the Lord. You must not bring guilt upon the land the Lord your God is giving you as a special possession”



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Steps in the Process:

- Denial
- Emotional Honesty
- Telling the Story
- Processing the Emotions
- Forgiveness
- Judgments
- Cutting of Soul-Ties
- Generational Effects
- Deliverance
- Closure



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Where We Get Our Identity

NLT – Deut 7:6, For you are a holy people, who belong to the LORD your God. Of all the people on earth, the LORD your God has chosen you to be **His own special treasure**.

NLT – Eph 2:19, So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God’s holy people. **You are members of God’s family**.

Our Identity is as a Member of God’s Family

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