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*“All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness.” (2 Timothy 3:16)*

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## ARE HOMOSEXUAL (SAME SEX) “MARRIAGES” SCRIPTURAL?

A few years ago when I first heard of the possibility that two homosexuals might try to get a marriage license and get married, I thought it was mockery - and it was! Marriage, as we know it and as taught in the Scriptures and approved of God, always involved [and it always will] a man (a male human being) and a woman (a female human being). No exceptions!

In Mark 10:6-9 Jesus said: **“But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and cleave to his wife; And they twain (two-NKJV) shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain (two-NKJV), but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.”** Also see Mk. 10:11-12; Mt. 19:3-9; 5:31-32; Luke 16:18, etc.

### NOTES:

1. When God created man He **“made them male and female.”**

2. There could have never been “a husband and wife” if God had made either two males or two females.

3. **“God made them male and female”** and said: **“For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother and cleave to his wife...”**

He was *not* to cleave unto his husband, but unto his wife!

4. The man that leaves and cleaves to his wife is always spoken of in the masculine gender. The wife is always spoken of in the feminine gender.

5. Mk. 10:11-12 says **”Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her. And if a woman shall put away her husband...”** It is obvious that a man (a male human being) has a wife and that a wife (a female human being) has a husband.

In Gen. 2:25 reference is made to **“the man (male human being) and his wife (female human being).”**

In Gen. 3:6b the woman **“gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.”** Again, it was a woman who had a husband who was a **“he.”**

### “HIS WIFE”

The expression **“his wife”** indicates that there was or is a man (*a male human being*) and a woman (*a female human being*) who were or is married. **“His wife”** is found in the OT more than 90 times and about 30 times in the NT. It always indicates a marriage between a man and a woman.

### “HER HUSBAND”

The expression **“her husband”**

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*Editorial...*

**FOUR WARNINGS OF  
JESUS IN MATTHEW 7**

[Concl]

In our article last month we showed that Jesus warned us:

I. THAT THE WAY TO HEAVEN IS THROUGH A STRAIT GATE & A NARROW WAY.

II. TO BEWARE OF FALSE PROPHETS. As we continue our study, let us now consider that Jesus also warns us that:

III. SAYING “**LORD, LORD**” WILL NOT SUBSTITUTE FOR DOING THE WILL OF GOD!

In Matthew 7:21-23 Jesus said: “**Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from**

**me, ye that work iniquity.”**

Let us observe several facts that we can learn from these words of Jesus in this passage.

(1) Many religious people who may think they will be saved will be lost “in that day.”

(2) Many who will claim they have “prophesied” in the name of Christ will be lost “in the day.”

(3) Many who will claim they have “cast out devils” in the name of Christ will be lost “in that day.”

(4) Many who will claim they have “done many wonderful works” in the name of Christ will be lost “in that day.”

(5) Many who will claim they have “prophesied”, “cast out devils” and have “done many wonderful works” in the name of Christ are in reality workers of iniquity who will be told by Jesus, “**I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.**” OBSERVATION: Many who claim to be doing things “in the name of Christ” are in fact working iniquity (or lawlessness) and are not and never have been true Christians! Sobering indeed!

NOTE: As Christians we must remember that Col. 3:17 says: “**And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus...**” To act (do or speak) “in the name of Christ” is to act by his authority. If we speak or do things without authority from Christ (as revealed in His word, we are working lawlessness or iniquity. We dare not be presumptuous and act in such a manner.

It is obvious that praying or saying, “**Lord, Lord**” will not substitute for doing God’s will.

God has not promised to hear (in the sense of granting the request) of those who are alien sinners. The blind man to whom Jesus restored his sight declared: “**Now we know that God heareth not sinners; but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth**” [John 9:31]. Peter declared that “**the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil**” [1 Pet. 3:12]. In 1 John 3:22 we read: “**And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.**”

To further show that God has not promised to hear the prayers of sinners, Jesus even said unto his disciples: “**And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say**”? [See Luke 6:46].

It is certainly false doctrine for a person to teach that a person does not have to obey Christ in order to be saved, but that one can pray “the sinner’s prayer and be saved”. No Scriptural proof!

IV. HEARING AND DOING ARE ESSENTIAL TO SALVATION. Without question a sinner must *hear* in order to be saved. On the mountain where Jesus was transfigured, a voice from the Father said: “**This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him**” [Matt. 17:5]. In Acts 3:22-23 we read that Moses said: “**A prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you of your brethren,**

**like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you. And it shall come to pass, that every soul, which will not hear that prophet, shall be destroyed from among people.**”

In Matt. 11:15 Jesus said: “**He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.**” Also see Mark 4:9. We must take heed *what* we hear and *how* we hear [see Mk. 4:24 & Luke 8:18]. Since it is obvious *that faith comes by hearing the word of God* [see Rom. 10:8-17], it is *essential* that we *hear*. However, hearing is not enough. We must also *do* the will of God. Also see Matt. 7:21; James 1:21-25; Heb. 5:8-9; Rev. 22:14, etc.

In Matt. 7:24-25 Jesus likens a person who *hears* His sayings and *does them* unto a wise man who built his house upon a rock. That house was able to withstand the rain, floods and the winds. It stood on a solid foundation.

In Matt. 7:26-27 Jesus likens people who *hear* His sayings and “*doeth them not*” unto a foolish man who built his house upon the sand. When “*the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew*” and beat upon that house, it fell and “*great was the fall of it.*”

A sinner is *not* saved by *grace only*, by *faith only*, by ‘*praying thru.*’ nor by “*accepting Christ*” *without hearing & doing* the will of God. Yes, Jesus warns us that *hearing* and *doing* are essential to salvation!

Since Jesus has given us these four warnings in Matt. 7 we should heed them!

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indicates that there was or is a woman (*a female human being*) and a man (*a male human being*) that were or is married. "Her husband" is found about 40 times in the OT and about 15 times in the NT.

**HOMOSEXUALITY IS SINFUL!**

Sodomites (*which include homosexuals*) were condemned in the Old Testament in such passages as Deut. 23:17; Lev. 18:22 & 20:13. It is also condemned in the New Testament in such passages as Rom. 1:26-27, 32; 1 Tim. 1:10 & 1 Cor. 6:9-11.

***Homosexuality is not inherited! It is not a sickness, but a choice! It is against nature! It is degraded! It is vile! It is wickedness! It is sin!***

**DEFINITIONS BY WEBSTER**

**Marry:** "to join as husband & wife according to law or custom...to take as spouse: WED..."

**Husband:** "a married man."

**Wife:** "...a married woman."

**SOME CONCLUSIONS**

1. There is a husband & a wife in every marriage. To be a husband a person must be a man (*male*) and

to be a wife a person must be a woman (*female*). *Therefore it necessarily follows that two men cannot marry nor can two women marry.*

2. Since a man & a woman are essential to a marriage, it necessarily follows that a man could not marry another man. Neither could a woman marry another woman. A man or woman cannot marry a dog or a cat or a bird or a bug!

3. One of the purposes of marriage is procreation (see Gen. 1:28). This cannot occur within a homosexual marriage!

No, homosexual "marriages" are not Scriptural at all, but sinful!  
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**GOSPEL MEETINGS at East Albertville June 17 – 22, 2012 @ 7 pm** except regular times on Sunday. **Thomas Hickey** of IN will be Preaching. Come! Tell others!

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A lesson on "**MENTAL DIVORCE**" at **East Albertville** by **DONNIE RADER** on April 29, 2012 @ 6 pm. He will also discuss: **Is it Scriptural to divorce a spouse for any other reason than fornication as long as one does not remarry?** Come! Tell others!

**SENTENCE SERMONS**

We are rich when we are contented with what we have, but not with what we are.

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A person who is pure in heart is also pure in thoughts, attitudes, words and deeds!

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Many men lay down their lives while trying to lay up money. "**Seek ye first the kingdom of God...**"

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You can never get rid of your temper by *losing* it! "**Let every man be ...slow to speak, slow to wrath.**"

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If you try to get as much as possible by doing as little as possible, you will fail! Don't be slothful!

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