

*Hope Chapel North Shore*  
*A Study in 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians – “Spanking the Saints”*  
*“Till Death Do Us Part?”*

1. God commands you to be passionate and affectionate in your marriage. v.3-5
2. God loves marriage, and performs it as a lifelong covenant, and thus hates divorce. v.10, 11b, 39
3. There are biblical grounds for the believer to end up divorced. v.12-15

*Legitimate reasons for divorce:*

- 1) Abandonment
- 2) Porneia/sexual immorality

4. A believer who gets divorced unbiblically is to either get restored, or remain unmarried. v.10-11

5. Remarriage is an option for the believer in some cases, and in those cases it is not shameful, but to be celebrated. v. 12-15, 39-40

*Some of the options for remarriage:*

- 1) Death of your spouse
- 2) Biblical divorce - porneia
- 3) Unbelieving spouse divorced you as a believer
- 4) Married and divorced before you were a believer
- 5) Your spouse divorced you, and they are now remarried or dead.

6. Don't doubt or underestimate God's ability to change you or your spouse. v. 16