THE TRUE GOSPEL 100 SCRIPTURES ABOUT THE KINGDOM OF GOD

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BECOMING A EUNUCH FOR THE KINGDOM

Mat 19:3 The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?

Mat 19:4 And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made [them] at the beginning made them male and female,

Mat 19:5 And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?

Mat 19:6 Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Mat 19:7 They say unto him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?

Mat 19:8 He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

Mat 19:9 And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except [it be] for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.

Mat 19:10 His disciples say unto him, If the case of the man be so with [his] wife, it is not good to marry.

Mat 19:11 But he said unto them, All [men] cannot receive this saying, save [they] to whom it is given.

Mat 19:12 For there are some eunuchs, which were so born from [their] mother's womb: and there are some eunuchs, which were made eunuchs of men: and there be eunuchs, which have made themselves eunuchs for the **KINGDOM OF HEAVEN'S** sake. He that is able to receive [it], let him receive [it].

Note: Here the disciples commented that it is not good to marry since God has such strict requirements about marriage. Jesus replied that all men cannot receive the saying that it is not good to marry, except those to whom it is given. Those to whom it is given not to marry are called eunuchs. A eunuch is one who cannot be married for some reason. Reasons mentioned here include that a man was born incapable of begetting children or that he was made that way by men. For example, it was emasculated men who held the office of being superintendents of women's apartments in oriental courts. The Ethiopian eunuch is mentioned in Acts. 8:27-39.

* Act 8:27 And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to

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Another reason a man might become a eunuch is that he may voluntarily abstain from marriage for the Kingdom of Heaven's sake. This means that a man may wish to devote his whole

attention to preaching the Gospel and therefore be unmarried - a eunuch. Jesus said, "He that is able to receive it, let him receive it", showing that he did not make it a requirement to abstain from marriage in order to be a minister or an apostle. The Apostle Paul was not married.

* 1Cor 7:7 For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that.

1Cor 7:8 I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I. The Apostle Peter was married.

* Mat 8:14 And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever.

The Apostle Paul wrote to Timothy that men would depart from the true faith giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. One of these doctrines is 'forbidding to marry'. We must understand that the Lord never forbade any man to be married in order to be a minister.

* 1Ti 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

1Ti 4:2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

1Ti 4:3 Forbidding to marry, [and commanding] to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.