

TEXT: 2 Corinthians 10:5

**TITLE: "Demolishing Cultural Lies with Biblical Truth"
(part 3—Marriage)**

When we talk about "Our Culture" how would you describe how we hear the messages of culture? What are the sources of these cultural lies?

*** Think with me about our "Frame of Reference" or our "Biblical Worldview!"**

*** Christian Polemics—**

"Attacking and exposing falsehood."

"Exposing that which lies outside of a Biblical Worldview."

→ KEY VERSE: 2 Corinthians 10:5

*** Christian Apologetics—**

"Supporting and defending the Faith = Body of Truth"

"Expressing reasons for support of a Biblical Worldview."

→ KEY VERSE: 1 Peter 3:15

Lie # 1—Marriage Has Expired!

→ **NOTE WELL: THE LAW OF FIRST MENTION!** Find where a given topic is first addressed in Scripture and learn what God established concerning it in that context. That will help you to understand the mention of that topic in the rest of Scripture!

Lie # 2—Marriage is Unnecessary!

Lie # 3—Marriage Can Be Between ANY Combination of People Who "Love" Each Other

A. Meaning of the Lie

B. Power of God's Truth

1. The Law of First Mention sets out God's ideal—one man and one woman
2. Marriage is never defined in Scripture as Two Men or Two Women
3. Marriage is defined as a man and a woman; and family as a man, a woman and children
4. Aberrant sexual behavior is described as "against nature"
→ Romans 1:27
5. Deviant sexuality met with harsh punishment in the Old Covenant community of Israel:
→ Leviticus 18:3-5, 22-23, 25
→ Deuteronomy 27:20-23

6. In the "Latter Times" people will be "speaking lies in hypocrisy."
→ 1 Timothy 4:1-2

7. In the "Last Days Perilous Times" men will be "lovers of themselves" and at the same time "unloving" as well as being "proud."

Lie # 4—Marriage Can Be Between a Person and A ("Loving"?) Entity

A. Meaning of the Lie

1. A M____ and his daughter could marry.
2. A Woman and her s____ could marry.
3. A Person and his or her p____ (dog, etc.) could marry.
4. A Woman and a B_____ could marry.
5. You name the combination?? How ridiculous and meaningless?!

B. Power of God's Truth

→ All the references given before that show marriage is one man and one woman!

→ **Leviticus 18:1-30**--shows God's attitude toward deviant sexual behavior.

→ **1 Corinthians 5:1**--For those who want to say, "Yes, but that is Old Testament. There's no problem with those things in the New Testament," consider this: Paul practiced church discipline over the one in the Corinthian church who was involved in a gross incestuous relationship!

1. When God's truth is forsaken, the result is sheer F_____.
2. When marriage is redefined, c_____ results!
3. Some of those combinations are pure foolish, while others are sheer w_____, forbidden by God!

4. Marriage, by definition, must be what God has established or, you could say, you have some kind of union, but N__ marriage.

→ **ILLUS.**

→ You see, this is something, but it is NOT a peanut and jelly sandwich—no bread, no peanut butter, no jelly!! = NO PJ sandwich!

→ NOT one m____, NOT one w_____n = NOT M_____!!

Lie # 5—Marriage Conveys NO Distinguishable R_____

A. Meaning of the Lie

1. There is **no set pattern** for o_____ in the marriage relationship or in the home.
 2. What were Biblical norms were biased, certainly outdated and don't a_____ today.
 3. Equality f_____ anyone from being the leader, responsible and accountable for the direction of the marriage.
 4. The Apostle Paul, who taught much about marriage, family, and order in the Church, can't be trusted, because he was MISOGYNISTIC (hated women) and MALE-CHAUVANIST (looked down on women).
- **NOTE WELL:** Look at the people lists and see how Paul honored women in Romans 16 and Philippians 4:2-3.

B. Power of God's Truth

1. The Powerful Principle of H_____ is Rooted in the Doctrine of the Trinity!
 - a. Evidence that J_____ submitted to God the Father:

→ John 14:31—"Father gave Me commandment"

→ John 16:5—"I go away to Him who sent me"

→ Luke 22:42—"nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done"

b. Evidence that the H_____ S_____ submitted to Jesus:

→ John 16:7—"if I depart, I will send Him to you"

→ John 16:14—"He will glorify Me"

c. Evidence that the Father receives ultimate g_____

→ 1 Corinthians 15:24—"He (Jesus) delivers the kingdom to God the Father"

→ 1 Corinthians 15:27—"it is evident that He who put all things under Him is excepted"

→ 1 Corinthians 15:24—"the Son Himself will also be subject to (ὑποτάσσω) Him"

→ 1 Corinthians 15:28—"that God may be all in all"

2. Headship in Marriage (differences in roles is rooted in the Trinity)!

a. The Head of the Church is C_____

→ Ephesians 5:23

b. The Head of the Marriage is the H_____

→ Ephesians 5:24

APPLICATION: