

INTRODUCTION

- A. QUESTION: A LEGITIMATE ALTERNATIVE?** (1Cor.7:10,11)
- B. FOUNDATION IN LAW** (Ex.20:1f; Mt.5:17f; see Mt.19:4,8; Gen.1,2)
- C. APPLICATION IN CASES** (Dt.24:1f; 31:26; Mt.5:23f, 31f; 19:7f; 1Cor.7:1ff)
- D. NOT ALL ANSWERS TO ALL QUESTIONS** (1Kngs.2:3; 3:9; 1Cor.6:5; 11:34; Col.1:9,10)
- E. INSTRUCTION FOR SHEPHERDS & SHEEP** (1Tm.5:17; 2Tim.3:16f & Heb.13:17)

I. BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES

- A. SIN & ALIENATION** (Gen.3:1f,8,24; see Prov.17:9; Mt.18:15f)
- B. FORGIVENESS & RECONCILIATION** (Heb.10:18f; see Jer.31:33f)
- C. ACCOMPLISHED & APPLIED** (2Cor.5:18f; see Eph.2:14f; Col.1:20f)
- D. ASK & GIVE** (Mt.5:23f; Lk.17:3)

II. BIBLICAL CASE STUDIES

- A. DO NOT MURDER** (Mt.5:21f; see Ex.20:13; Gen.1:26f; 9:6)
 - 1. something against you (Mt.5:23)
 - 2. be reconciled; make friends quickly (Mt.5:25; see Lk.16:9)
 - 3. restitution (Lk.19:8; see Ex.22:3f; Lev.5:16; 6:4f)
 - 4. significant adverse consequences (Mt.5:25,26)
- B. DO NOT SEPARATE** (1Cor.7:10f,1f; see Ex.20:14; Mt.19:6,3f; Gen.2:24)
 - 1. something against you (10; see 3-5)
 - 2. be reconciled (11b; see Mt.5:24,25; 19:9)
 - 3. restitution (5,3f; see Lk.19:8; Ex.22:3f; Lev.5:16; 6:4f)
 - 4. significant adverse consequences (11a; 2,5,9; see Mt.5:32; 19:9)

III. LIVE IN PEACE! (Mk.9:50; Rom.14:19; 2Cor.13:11f; 1Th.5:13; see Jms.3:13f)

- A. BE RECONCILED TO GOD!** (2Cor.5:20; Eph.2:1f,14f; see Mt.5:23f)
- B. BE RECONCILED TO THOSE YOU'VE ALIENATED BY YOUR SIN!** (Mt.5:24; 1Cor.7:11)
- C. RECONCILE WITH THOSE WHO'VE ALIENATED YOU BY THEIR SIN!** (2Cor5:19 /Lk17:3; Mt18:15f)