

BIBLE: The English language contains many Bible-based idioms:

Verse	Phrase
Dan 5:4-6, 17-31	The handwriting is on the wall
Lev 24:19-20	An eye for an eye
Lev 16:7-10	A scape goat
Jn 20:24-29	A Doubting Thomas
Eccl 1:9	Nothing new under the sun
Gen 3:19	Dust to dust
Isa 40:15	A drop in the bucket
Eccl 10:1	A fly in the ointment
Ps 107:27	At wits end
Jer 13:23	Can a leopard change its spots?
Gen 45:18	Living off the fat of the land
Ezek 18:2	Sour grapes
Mt 15:14	Blind leading the blind
Jn 8:7	To cast the first stone

MARRIAGE:

Marriage is God’s idea (Genesis 1:26-27, 2:7, 2:18-25)

- God created male and female
- Mankind was created in God’s image to rule over God’s creation
- God created marriage & God gave away the first bride

Sin brought conflict into marriage (Genesis 3:16 & 4:7)

- Both husband and wife want to rule the marriage

Divorce is man’s idea (Matthew 19:3-8)

- Divorce resulted from man’s hard heartedness

Marriage fulfills many purposes (Genesis 2:18, 2:24, 2 Samuel 5:1, Malachi 2:15)

- Companionship & Mutual help
- Unity & To raise godly children

Marriage is a legal contract in God’s eyes (Proverbs 2:17, Malachi 2:14, 1 Corinthians 7:39)

- Marriage is designed to last a life time
- God is the “Justice of the Peace”

Marriage is under attack by Satan

- Considered man-made (therefore changeable) - Ignored by many
- No fault divorce
- Redefined (man & man, woman & woman, groups)
- Purpose lost (for sex or domination)

HOMEWORK:

- **Memorize:** Genesis 2:24

- **Read:** Genesis 2:24
 - List three things you believe the Scripture means in this passage

- **Read:** Malachi 2:14
 - Since marriage is a contract, what implications does this have for the marriage relationship?

- **Read:** Genesis 2:18 and Malachi 2:14
 - These passages indicate that one purpose of marriage is companionship
 - List five ways you can express and develop companionship

- **Read:** Genesis 2:24 and answer the following questions:
 - Have you really left your parents? If not, how not?
 - Are you absolutely committed (cleaving) to your mate?
 - Are you absolutely devoted and loyal to your mate?
 - How much oneness do you have:
 - Spiritually?
 - Recreationally?
 - Intellectually?
 - Sexually?
 - Financially?

- Consider and list ways you can strengthen your marriage relationship

- Discuss at least five marriage goals. What do you want out of marriage?

Memory Verse: Genesis 2:24 (3) Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

Memory Hint: Motivation: Be motivated to glorify God by memorizing His word. God loves to hear His children repeat what He has spoken. By being motivated to learn, you will motivate and encourage others to memorize Scripture also.