Matthew 19:6

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“What Therefore God Hath Joined Together,”

“Let Not Man Put Asunder.”
Matthew 19:6 (In Context)

The Question That Jesus Answered (Context):  

Mt. 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?”

The Question Was NOT:  

IS IT POSSIBLE...? (They **Knew** That It Was Possible)!

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IS IT **LAWFUL**...?

Cf. Rom. 4:15, “Because **THE LAW** worketh wrath: for **WHERE NO LAW IS, THERE IS NO TRANSGRESSION.**”

Cf. 1 Jn. 3:4, “Whosoever **committeth** SIN **TRANSGRESSETH ALSO** **THE LAW:** for **SIN IS THE TRANSGRESSION OF THE LAW.**”
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2.) HE Commanded The LEAVING/CLEAVING (v. 5).
3.) HE Designed How The TWAIN Become “ONE FLESH” (v. 6).
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Cf. Mt. 23:16-18, "Woe unto **YOU**, YE **BLIND** guides, which **SAY**, Whosoever **shall swear** by the temple, it is nothing; but whosoever **shall swear** by the gold of the temple, he is A **DEBTOR** (NKJV, ‘he is **obliged** to perform it;’ NASV, ‘he is **obligated**’)...

18 And, Whosoever **shall swear** by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever **sweareth** by the gift that is upon it, he is **guilty**.” (NKJV, “he is **obliged** to perform it;” NASV, “he is **obligated**.”)

We Are Obligated By THE (N.T.) **LAW**, Despite Corrupt Teachings!
(Mt. 5:32b; 19:9b; Lk. 16:18b)

Cf. Mk. 7:10-11, “For **MOSES** **SAID**, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso **curseth** father or mother, let him die the death: 11 But **YE** **SAY**, If a man **shall say** to his father or mother, **It is corban**, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; **he** shall be **free**.”
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Matthew 19:9 Includes The Exception Clause, Revealing Two Different Kinds Of Divorces (LAWFUL & UNLAWFUL):

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The Term “Put Away” Is Used ONCE

In Reference To Both LAWFUL And UNLAWFUL Divorces.

Yet There Is Only One Consequence For The One Who “Is Put Away.”

Cf. Mt. 19:11-12; I Cor. 7:10-11 (I Pet. 4:11)
The Man-Made Term “Marriage-bond” Is A Misnomer (Rom. 7:2-3)!

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“noun 1. a misapplied or inappropriate name or designation. 2. an error in naming a person or thing.”  www.dictionary.com


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“Affairs” While Lawfully Married Are Just As *Adulterous*

I Cor. 6:16-17, “What? know ye not that HE which is JOINED TO AN HARLOT IS ONE BODY? FOR TWO, saith he, SHALL BE ONE FLESH. 17 But HE THAT IS JOINED UNTO THE LORD is ONE SPIRIT.” Cf. Gal. 3:27-28

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Notice How Herodias Was “Bound” To Philip, While “Married” To Herod!

Mk. 6:17-18, “For HEROD himself had sent forth and laid hold upon John, and bound him in prison for HERODIAS’ sake, HIS BROTHER PHILIP’S WIFE: for HE HAD MARRIED HER. 8 For John had said unto HEROD, IT IS NOT LAWFUL FOR THEE TO HAVE THY BROTHER’S WIFE.”

Mark Reveals Why Herod’s And Herodias’ Marriage Was UNLAWFUL: Herodias (Philip’s Woman) Was Still OBLIGATED To Philip (Her Man)! Hence, Herod/Herodias Were Not JOINED TOGETHER By God (Mt. 19:6)!

I Cor. 7:2, “Nevertheless, TO AVOID FORNICATION, let every man HAVE his OWN wife, and let every woman HAVE her OWN husband.” Cf. 5:1

Heb. 13:4, “MARRIAGE is honourable in all (i.e. When JOINED TOGETHER By God, jhb): and THE BED UNDEFILED: but WHOREMONGERS and ADULTERERS GOD WILL JUDGE.” Cf. Jn. 12:48
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How The Words “Husband” And “Wife” Are Used In Scripture:
Sometimes These Terms Are Used Of Those Who Are **Married**;
Sometimes They Are Used Of Those Who Are **Divorced**;
And Sometimes They Denote Those Who Are **Separated By Death**.
(Cf. II Sam. 11:26; 12:9-10, 15; Mt. 22:24-25; Acts 5:9; Rom. 7:3; I Cor. 7:11)

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Matthew 5:32 & 19:9 Reveal The One And Only **Exception** To God’s Rule!

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If It’s Not Approved, It’s Not Actual;
If It’s Not Permissible, It’s Not Possible
If It’s Not Right, It’s Not Real!

Scripture Clearly Teaches That Man **Can** Put Away Against God’s Will.

Hence, It Is Impossible For Those Who *Have Been* Put Away,
To Subsequently “Put Away” For Fornication.

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(Mt. 19:6, 9; I Cor. 7:10-11).